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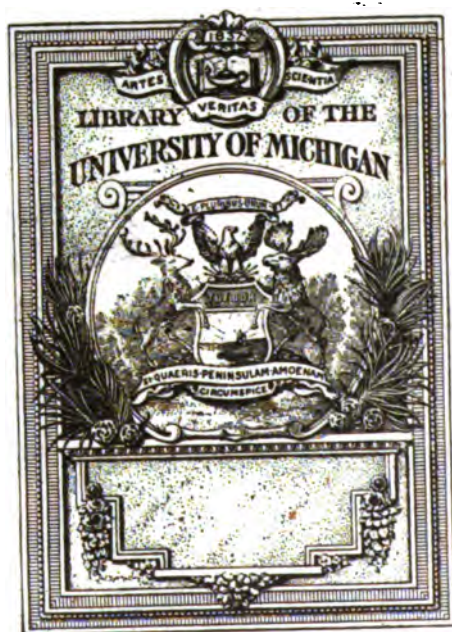
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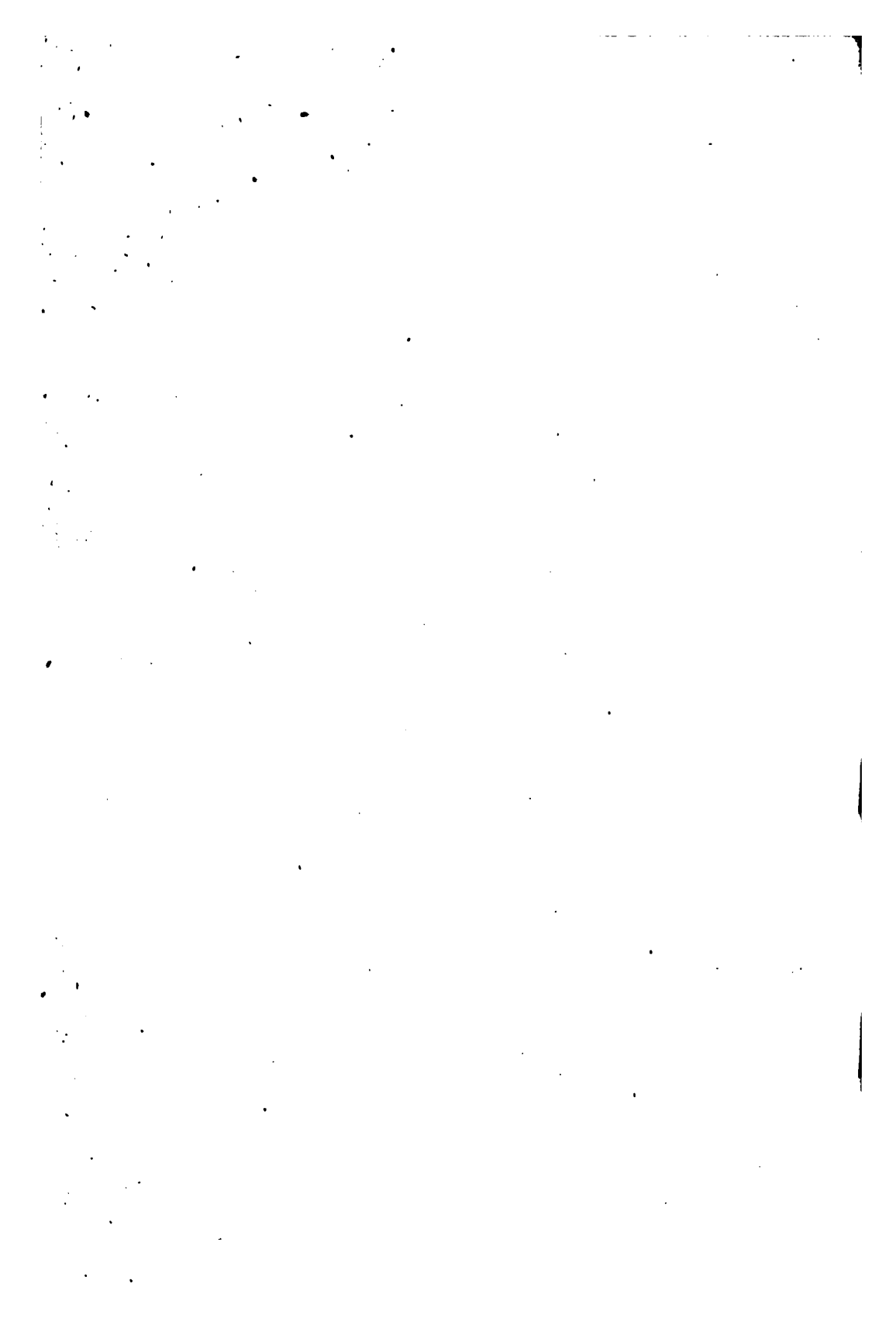
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WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10, 1877.

The Thirtieth Annual Session of the Legislature of the State of Wisconsin met at 12 o'clock, at the Capitol at Madison, pursuant to the Constitution of the State.

R. M. Strong, Chief Clerk of the Twenty-Ninth Assembly, called the Assembly to order, and a list of members-elect, as certified by the Secretary of State, was read as follows:

List of Members of the Assembly elected in the State of Wisconsin, at the General Election held therein on the Seventh day of November, A. D. 1876.

Adams—

S. W. Pierce.

Ashland, Barron, Bayfield, Burnett, Douglas, and Polk—
Woodbury S. Grover.

Brown—

1st dist.—D. M. Kelly.

2d dist.—W. J. Fisk.

3d dist.—M. J. Touhey.

Buffalo (part)—

J. J. Senn.

Calumet—

Benjamin F. Carter.

Chippewa—

Louis Vincent.

Clark, Lincoln, Taylor, and Wood—
Freeman D. Lindsay.

Columbia—

1st dist.—David Owen.

2d dist.—H. J. Fisk.

Crawford—

Samuel L. Wannemaker.

Dane—

- 1st dist.—Michael Johnson.
- 2d dist.—Phineas Baldwin.
- 3d dist.—George Weeks.

Dodge—

- 1st dist.—Wm. Zeiman.
- 2d dist.—Francis A. Neuhauser.
- 3d dist.—L. A. Shepard.
- 4th dist.—Patrick Roche.

Door—

J. T. Wright.

Dunn—

Samuel Black.

Eau Claire—

Thomas Carmichael.

Fond du Lac—

- 1st dist.—W. T. Innis.
- 2d dist.—W. T. Brooks.
- 3d dist.—Thomas W. Spence.
- 4th dist.—Lambert Brost.

Grant—

- 1st dist.—W. E. Carter.
- 2d dist.—Joseph Bock.
- 3d dist.—D. R. Sylvester.

Green—

- 1st dist.—John Luchsinger.
- 2d dist.—Franklin Mitchell.

Green Lake—

Homer Nelson.

Iowa—

- 1st dist.—Robert H. Kinzie.
- 2d dist.—John Gray.

Jackson—

Carl C. Pope.

Jefferson—

- 1st. dist. (part in Dodge Co.)—H. Flynn.
- 2d dist.—C. H. Phillips.
- 3d dist.—A. Scheuber.

Juneau—

- 1st dist.—David Truell.
- 2d dist.—W. H. H. Cash.

Kenosha—

Walter S. Maxwell.

Kewaunee—

Charles Tisch.

La Crosse—

Wm. Van Waters.

La Fayette—

- 1st dist.—Andrew J. Anderson.
- 2d dist.—James H. Earnest.

Manitowoc—

1st dist.—Thomas Thornton.

2d dist.—Thomas Mohr.

3d dist.—Peter Johnston.

Marathan—

B. Ringle.

Marquette—

Samuel Crockett.

Milwaukee—

1st dist.—James G. Flanders.

2d dist.—Joseph Hamilton.

3d dist.—Edward Keogh.

4th dist.—Edwin Hyde.

5th dist.—David Vance.

6th dist.—Florian J. Ries.

7th dist.—David P. Hull.

8th dist.—Peter Salentine.

9th dist.—Christian Sarnow.

10th dist.—Richard F. Stapleton.

11th dist.—Aloysius Arnold.

Monroe—

1st dist.—Chauncey Blakeslee.

2d dist.—Harry Duxtader.

Oconto and Shawano—

J. D. Kast.

Outagamie—

1st dist.—David Hammel.

2d dist.—J. J. Knowlton.

Ozaukee—

Gustave Gætzte.

Pepin (and part of Buffalo County)

V. W. Dorwin.

Pierce—

Ellsworth Burnett.

Portage—

Wm. L. Arnot.

Racine—

1st dist.—Norton J. Field.

2d dist.—John T. Rice.

Richland—

1st dist.—J. L. R. McCollum.

2d dist.—Elihu Bailey.

Rock—

1st dist.—S. T. Merrill.

2d dist.—J. B. Cassoday.

3d dist.—G. E. Newman.

St. Croix—

Guy. W. Dailey.

Sauk—

1st dist.—D. B. Hulburt.

2d dist.—S. J. Seymour.

Sheboygan—

- 1st dist.—Joseph Wedig.
- 2d dist.—T. D. Hubbard.
- 3d dist.—A. D. Deland.

Trempeleau—

J. L. Linderman.

Vernon—

- 1st dist.—Peter J. Dale.
- 2d dist.—Henry H. Wyatt.

Walworth—

- 1st dist.—Alfred H. Abell.
- 2d dist.—Wilson R. Herron.
- 3d dist.—William Greening.

Washington—

- 1st dist.—Frank Fitzgerald.
- 2d dist.—Nicholas Marx.

Waukesha—

- 1st dist.—H. F. Dousman.
- 2d dist.—Thomas McCarty.

Waupaca—

- 1st dist.—A. J. Baldwin.
- 2d dist.—H. S. Dixon.

Waushara—

Jabez K. Walker.

Winnebago—

- 1st dist.—Thomas Wall.
- 2d dist.—H. P. Leavens.
- 3d dist.—L. E. Knapp.
- 4th dist.—S. A. Shufelt.

STATE OF WISCONSIN,
OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE. } ss.

I, Peter Doyle, Secretary of State of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct list of the members of the Assembly of the State of Wisconsin, elected at the General Election held on the seventh day of November, A. D. 1876, as appears from the certificates of the county clerks of the several counties named in the foregoing list, now on file in this office.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand, and affixed the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin at the Capitol in Madison this 10th day of January, A. D. 1877.

PETER DOYLE,
Secretary of State,

All the gentleman certified as members elect were present, except Messrs. Joseph Bock of Grant, and W. T. Innis, of Fond du Lac, and subscribed to the oath of office, which was administered by William Penn Lyon, Judge of the Supreme Court.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

There being a quorum present, and the Assembly qualified to do business,

On motion of Mr. Carl C. Pope,

The Assembly proceeded to the election of a Speaker.

And the roll being called,

Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Brooks, Burnett, W. E. Carter, Cash, Dale, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Gray, Greening, Grover, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Peter Johnston, Kast, Kelley, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsey, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Sylvester, Truell, Vance, Walker, Weeks, and Wyatt—59,

Voted for J. B. Cassoday.

And Messrs. Arnold, Brost, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dailey, Earnest, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flynn, Götze, Hammel, Hubbard, M. Johnson, Keogh, Kinzie, Knowlton, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Mohr, Neuhauser, Ringle, Roche, Salentine, Scheuber, Stapleton, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Wannemaker, Wedig, Wright, and Zeiman—39.

Voted for Joseph Hamilton.

J. B. Cassoday voted for Carl C. Pope.

Mr. Cassoday having received a majority of all the votes cast was declared elected Speaker.

Messrs. Hamilton and W. J. Fisk were appointed a committee to conduct the Speaker to the chair, who upon assuming the chair said:

FELLOW MEMBERS OF THE ASSEMBLY: For the honor of presiding over this body you have my profound acknowledgments.

The manner in which I shall perform the duties of this office, can only be determined by the experiment.

But this I know, that to be modestly successful, I shall need the hearty co-operation of every member of this body.

In the mutations of time, we find ourselves here assembled from different parts of the state, to make up the lower branch of the first Legislature of Wisconsin in this new century of our national existence. I have the right to assume and I do assume, that every member of this body whether Republican or Democrat, comes here charged with the double purpose of lessening the burdens, advancing the interests, guarding the honor and promoting the prosperity, not only of his immediate constituents, but of the people of the whole state and of every interest in the state.

In the language of scripture the people of the state are all members of one body, and are over zealous in behalf of some particular interest, to the neglect of all others, may be more detrimental to the whole, than an intentional effort to injure a particular part.

Any political party is of value, if inspired by an earnest desire to bring about the greatest good to the greatest number.

No political party is worth preserving, when the purpose of its controlling elements is to gratify the selfish ambition of its members.

As to my line of action, I have not yet, and shall not now, make any promises, and therefore will not be compelled to break any; but this I may say, that in dividing up, and parceling out the business of the session, I shall aim, so far as possible, not only to have the different sections of the state, but all important interests in the state, fairly represented on each committee.

These committees will be announced at the earliest practical moment, in order that we may make this session as short, economical and efficient as possible.

On motion of Mr. Keogh,

The Assembly proceeded to the election of a Chief Clerk.

The roll being called,

Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Brooks, Burnett, Cash, W. E. Carter, Cassoday, Dale, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Gray, Greening, Grover, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Peter Johnston, Kast, Kelley, Knapp, Leavans, Lindsey, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Sylvester, Truell, Vance, Walker, Weeks, and Wyatt—59,

Voted for W. A. Nowell, and

Messrs. Arnold, Blakeslee, Brost, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dailey, Earnest, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flynn, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Hubbard, M. Johnson, Keogh, Kinzie, Knowlton, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Mohr, Neuhauser, Ringle, Roach, Salentine, Scheuber, Stapleton, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Wannemaker, Wedig, Wright, Zeiman—39.

Voted for George W. Peck.

W. A. Nowell having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared elected Chief Clerk of the Assembly. The oath of office was administered by the Speaker, and he entered upon the duties of the office.

On motion of Mr. Luschinger,

The Assembly proceeded to the election of a Sergeant-at-Arms.

The roll being called,

Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Brooks, Burnett, Cash, W. E. Carter, Cassoday, Dale, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Gray, Greening, Grover, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Peter Johnson, Kast, Kelley, Knapp, Leavans, Lindsey, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Sylvester, Truell, Vance, Walker, and Wyatt—59,

Voted for T. B. Reid.

Messrs. Arnold, Blakeslee, Brost, B. F. Carter, Carmichael

Crockett, Dailey, Earnest, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flynn, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Hubbard, M. Johnson, Keogh, Kinzie, Knowlton, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Mohr, Neuhauser, Ringle, Roach, Salentine, Scheuber, Stapleton, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Wannemaker, Wedig, Wright, Zeiman—39

Voted for Otto Puhlman.

T. B. Reid having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared elected Sergeant-at-Arms. The oath of office was administered by the Speaker, and he entered upon the discharge of his duties.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By A. J. TURNER, Chief Clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform you that the Senate is now organized by the election of W. H. Hiner as President *pro tem.*, A. J. Turner as Chief Clerk, and C. E. Bullard as Sergeant-at-Arms, and is ready to proceed to business.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Hurlburt:

Res. No. 1, A.,

Resolved, That the rules of the last Assembly are hereby adopted as the rules of this Assembly until otherwise ordered.

Adopted.

By Mr. W. E. Carter:

Res. No. 2, A.

Resolved, That the members of the Assembly do now proceed to the drawing of seats as follows: The members shall retire to the lobby and the clerk shall put the name of each member on a separate piece of paper and put all of such pieces in a box. He shall then draw them one at a time therefrom and announce the name so drawn. Each member shall as his name is announced select his seat and announce the number thereof. He shall then occupy such seat until the drawing is completed, or place his name prominently thereon or some other visible sign of ownership under penalty of losing his claims to such seat.

Adopted.

By Mr. Luchsinger:

Res. No. 3, A.,

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk inform the Senate that the Assembly is now organized by the election of Hon. J. B. Cassoday as Speaker, W. A. Nowell as Chief Clerk, and T. B. Reid as Sergeant-at-arms, and is now ready to proceed to business.

Adopted.

By Mr. Vance,

Jt. Res. No. 1, A.,

Resolved, by the Assembly, the Senate concurring, That the joint rules of the last Senate and Assembly are hereby adopted as the joint rules of this Senate and Assembly, until otherwise ordered.
Adopted.

By W. E. Carter,

Jt. Res. No. 2, A.,

Resolved, by the Assembly, the Senate concurring, That a joint committee of two members on the part of the House, and one on the part of the Senate, be appointed to wait on his Excellency the Governor and inform him that the Legislature is organized and ready to receive any communication he may have to make.

Adopted.

W. E. Carter and Joseph Hamilton were appointed said committee on the part of the Assembly.

On motion of Mr. Hamilton,
The Assembly adjourned.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 11th, 1877.

The Assembly met.

Mr. Speaker in the Chair.

Mr. Hamilton moved that the calling of roll be dispensed with.

Motion lost, and the roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Cassody, Dale, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flynn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Peter Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Leavans, Lindsay, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Ringle, Roche, Salentine, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman.

Absent without leave.—M. Johnson, Keogh, Rice, and Dailey.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Bock and Mr. Innis.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Luchsinger:

Res. No. 4, A.

Resolved, That the use of the Assembly Chamber be granted to the students of the State University, on Saturday morning the 13th inst., for the purpose of holding the annual oratorical contest.

Laid over.

By Mr. Bailey:

Res. No. 5, A.,

Resolved, That the Speaker of the Assembly is hereby requested to invite the resident clergy of the city of Madison to open the morning session with prayer, during the current session of the Legislature.

Laid over.

By Mr. Spence:

Res. No. 6, A.,

Resolved, That the officers of the Assembly, aside from the Speaker, until otherwise ordered, shall be the following, and no more, to wit:

One Chief Clerk, one Assistant Clerk, one Book-keeper, one Enrolling Clerk, one Assistant Enrolling Clerk, one Engrossing Clerk, one Assistant Engrossing Clerk, one Proof-Reader, one Clerk for the Judiciary Committee, one Clerk of the Committee on Privileges and Elections, to hold his office until the contested election case or cases are disposed of, one Sergeant-at-Arms, one Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms, one Postmaster, one Assistant Postmaster, four Doorkeepers, two Gallery Attendants, four Committee-room Attendants, one Porter, one Fireman, one Washroom Attendant, two Watchmen, and twelve Messengers.

Adopted.

By Mr. M. Johnson:

Res. No. 7, A.,

Resolved, That the Honorable, the Justices of the Supreme Court and state officers, be respectfully invited to attend the meeting of the joint convention of the Senate and Assembly to receive the message of his excellency the Governor.

Adopted.

By Mr. Hubbard:

Res. No. 8, A.,

Resolved, That that part of rule second that requires the roll of members to be called, be suspended.

Laid over.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By A. J. TURNER, Chief Clerk thereof.

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform you that the Senate has concurred with the Assembly in

Jt. Res. No. 1, A.,

Relating to the adoption of Joint Rules.

Jt. Res. No. 2, A.,

Relating to the appointment of a committee to wait on his excellency the Governor, and has appointed Senator W. H. Hiner as a member of such committee on the part of the Senate.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Dixon:

No. 1, A.,

A bill to authorize the town of Mukwa, in the county of Waupaca, to issue its corporate bonds to settle its indebtedness to Geo. F. Hammond and Sophia C. Hammond.

Mr. Dixon moved to suspend the rules and place the bill upon its final passage.

Which motion was lost, and the bill referred to the Judiciary Committee.

REPORT OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

The joint committee appointed to wait upon his excellency the Governor to inform him that the legislature was organized and is ready to receive any communication he is ready to submit, reported that he will submit his message at 2:15 P. M. of this day.

Upon motion of Mr. Ringle,
The Assembly adjourned until 2:15 P. M.

2:15 P. M.

Assembly met.

Mr. Speaker in the chair.

The following message was received from the Senate, introducing a

Jt. Res. No. 1. S.

Asking the two houses to meet in joint convention to receive the message of his excellency the Governor.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By A. J. TURNER, Chief Clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:—I am directed to inform you that the Senate has adopted and asks the concurrence of the Assembly in

Jt. Res. No. 1. S.,

To meet in joint convention in the Assembly Chamber to receive the message of his excellency the Governor.

Said resolution was concurred in by the house.

The Senate having been informed that the Assembly was prepared to meet that body in joint convention, the sergeant-at-arms soon thereafter announced the Honorable the Senate of the State of Wisconsin, who were received by the Assembly, and took seats in

JOINT CONVENTION.

On motion of Senator Barden,

The Chair appointed Senator Barden, Assemblymen Pope and Herron to await upon his excellency the Governor and inform him that the two Houses, in joint convention, are now ready to receive any communication which he may be pleased to make.

The committee discharged the duty devolving upon them, and soon announced his excellency, the Governor of the State of Wisconsin, who appeared and read in joint convention his annual message.

The president of the convention dissolved the convention, its object having been attained, and the Senators repaired to their chamber.

Upon motion of Mr. Pope,
The Assembly adjourned.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 12, 1877.

Assembly met.

The Speaker in the Chair.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Cassody, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Doxtader, Dousman, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flynn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, • Hulburt, Hyde, M. Johnson, Kast, Kelley, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Philipps, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Salentine, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Zeiman.

Absent without leave; Phineas Baldwin, Dorwin, Earnest, Thornton, and Wyatt.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Leave of absence was granted to

Mr. Thornton till Monday evening.

Mr. Earnest indefinitely.

Mr. Dorwin till Wednesday morning.

Messrs. Senn, Herron, Shepard, Nelson, Sheuber, Greening, Hyde, and Abell, till Tuesday morning.

The Speaker announced the standing committees of the Assembly as follows:

On Judiciary—Messrs. Pope, W. E. Carter, Spence, Kelley, Pierce, Ringle, Flanders.*On Ways and Means*—Messrs. Kelley, Nelson, Rice, Hamilton, Neuhauser.*On Federal Relations*—Messrs. W. E. Carter, Dixon, Leavens, Salentine, Hubbard.

On Education—Messrs. Bailey, Maxwell, Anderson, Keogh, Kinzie.

On Railroads—Messrs. W. J. Fisk, Hulburt, Phillips, Shepard, Hyde, Cash, Wedig, McCollom, Van Waters.

On Insurance, Banks, and Banking—Messrs. Vance, Phillips, Dousman, Wall, Hammel.

On State Affairs—Messrs. Phineas Baldwin, Lindsay, Dextader, Field, Hyde, Knowlton, Carmichael.

On Privileges and Elections—Messrs. Spence, H. J. Fisk, Luchsinger, Dailey, Scheuber.

On Incorporations—Messrs. De Land, Gray, Newman, Walker, Arnold.

On Assessment and Collection of Taxes—Messrs. Hull, Johnston, Truell, Flynn, Crockett.

On Lumber and Manufactures—Messrs. Burnett, A. L. Baldwin, Lindsay, Goetze, Wannemaker.

On Public Improvements—Messrs. Black, Greening, Knapp, Brost, McCarty.

On Militia—Messrs. Ries, Dorwin, Weeks, Roche, Marx.

On Agriculture—Messrs. Brooks, Abell, Mitchell, Owen, Zeiman.

On Town and County Organization—Messrs. Leavens, Harmon J. Fisk, Dousman, Earnest, Mohr.

On Roads and Bridges—Messrs. Seymour, Grover, Wyatt, Newman, Wright.

On State Lands—Messrs. Linderman, Dale, Hulburt, Walker, Johnson.

On Medical Societies—Messrs. Field, Shufelt, Sarnow, Kast, Fitzgerald.

On Legislative Expenditures—Messrs. Bock, Arnot, Maxwell, Sarnow, Thornton.

On Engrossed Bills—Messrs. Herron, Innis, Anderson, Stapleton, Touhey.

On Enrolled Bills—Messrs. Senn, Weeks, Rice, Hamilton, Vincent.

JOINT COMMITTEES ON PART OF THE ASSEMBLY.

On Claims—Messrs. Luchsinger, Sylvester, Shufelt, Dixon, B. F. Carter.

On Charitable and Penal Institutions—Messrs. Merrill, Knapp, Blakeslee.

On Printing—Messrs. Pierce, Dorwin, Tisch.

MESSENGERS.

The Speaker also announced the following Messengers of the Assembly:

Paul R. Calvin.

A. De Land.
L. Class.
William Detride.
Joseph Armstrong.
Charles Wright.
Albert Johnston.
John Lang.
Frank Alford.
Robert Gilroy.
Lyman M. Curtis.
Joseph Parish.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Kelley :

Res. No. 9, A.,

Resolved, That so much of the Governor's message as relates to finances, disbursements and estimates be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

So much as relates to taxation and exemptions, to the Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

So much as relates to education and educational institutions, to the Committee on Education.

So much as relates to penal and charitable institutions, and State Board of Charities and Reform, to the Joint Committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

So much as relates to the geological survey, international prison congress, and peddlers' licenses, to the Committee on State Affairs.

So much as relates to swamp and state lands, to the Committee on State Lands.

So much as relates to city and village charters, to the Committee on Incorporations.

So much as relates to public printing, to the Joint Committee on Printing.

So much as relates to executive records, the supreme court, notaries public and revision of the statutes, to the Judiciary Committee.

So much as relates to the election returns and registration of voters, to the Committee on Privileges and Elections.

So much as relates to the capitol buildings, stationery, and legislative expenses to the Committee on Legislative Expenses.

So much as relates to railroads and land grants to the Committee on Railroads.

So much as relates to lumber interests, to the Committee on Lumber and Manufactures.

So much as relates to agricultural affairs and fish propagation, to the Committee on Agriculture.

Adopted.

By Mr. Mohr:

Res. No. 10. A.,

Resolved, That the superintendent of public property is hereby instructed to furnish to the sergeant-at-arms for the use of the Assembly, six copies of Taylor's Statutes, and to each member of the Assembly a copy of the Laws of 1872, 1873, 1874, and 1875; all books thus furnished to be returned to their proper custodian at the close of the session.

Laid over under the rules.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED.

By Mr. Luchsinger:

Res. No. 4, A.,

Granting use of Assembly Chamber for Saturday evening next.
Adopted.

By Mr. Bailey:

Res. No. 5, A.,

Inviting the resident clergy to open sessions with prayer.

Laid over till Tuesday morning; also

Res. No. 8, A.,

Relating to the rules of the Assembly,

Was laid over until Tuesday morning.

On motion of Mr. Keogh,
The Assembly adjourned until Monday evening, January 15,
at 7:30 P. M.

MONDAY, JANUARY 15, 7:30 P. M.

Assembly met,

The Speaker in the Chair.

The roll was called and the following members were present:

Messrs. Anderson, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Brooks, Burnett, Cash, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Dorwin, H. J. Fisk, Fitzgerald, Gray, Grover, Goetze, Hammel, Johnson, Kast, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, McCarty, Merrill, Mohr, Nelson, Newman, Owen, Rice, Ringle, Senn, Seymour, Stapleton, Tisch, Touhey, Truell, Van Waters, Walker, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, and Mr. Speaker—44.

There being no quorum present,
On motion of Mr. Brooks,
The Assembly adjourned.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 16, 1877.

Assembly met.

The Speaker in the Chair.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dorwin, Duxtader, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Gray, Greening, Grover, Götze, Hamilton, Herron, Hull, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Keogh, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Salentine, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Van Waters, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Wright, Wyatt, and Mr. Speaker.

Absent—Messrs. Carmichael, Dixon, Dousman, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, Flynn, Hammel, Hubbard, Hurlbut, Hyde, Kelly, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Leavens, Neuhauser, Pope, Roche, Scheuber, Shepard, Spence, Vincent, Wall, Weeks.

Leave of absence was granted to all the absentees till Wednesday morning.

Mr. Bock, member elect from Grant county, came forward and took and subscribed to the oath of office, which was administered by the Speaker.

MEMORIALS PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. Ringle:

M. C. No. 1, A.,

Memorial to Congress for the extension of a mail route from the town of Berlin, in Marathon county, to the town of Hamburg, in said county.

To Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Ringle:

M. C. No. 2, A.,

Memorial to Congress for the extension of a mail route from the town of Stettin, in Marathon county, Wisconsin, to the town of Rib Falls, in said county.

To Committee on State Affairs.

COMMUNICATIONS.

OFFICE OF LUMBER INSPECTOR, DISTRICT NO. 9.

ALMA, WIS., January 9, 1877.

To the honorable Legislature of the State of Wisconsin:

GENTLEMEN:—Inclosed please find my Report in accordance with chapter 42, section 20 of revised statutes, for the year 1876.

The logs were of good average size and quality, and would net \$7 at the Beef Slough Boom.

Two-thirds of the whole amount belonged to the M. R. L. Co. 92,051,300 feet were brailed, (prepared for market with line and windlass,) and 71,217,910 feet were rafted (old style, with pole and lockdown.)

There is now in Beef Slough Boom an estimate of 55,000,000 feet of logs. 300 men were employed fifty-four days to complete the work of driving through the slough and preparing for market, at an average of \$2 per day.

M. W. McDONNELL,
Lbr. Inspector.

TOTAL SCALE OF DISTRICT NO. 9, 1876.

Alma, Wis.,	2, 479, 950
Winona, Minn.,	17, 414, 920
McGregor, Iowa,	7, 782, 880
Dubuque, Iowa,	2, 055, 380
Lyons, Iowa,	1, 604, 860
Clinton, Iowa,	43, 759, 110
Davenport, Iowa,	3, 609, 420
Muscatine, Iowa,	16, 068, 710
Keokuk, Iowa,	275, 110
Moline, Illinois,	4, 356, 440
Rock Island, Illinois,	12, 716, 500
St. Louis, Missouri,	570, 860
Picked up in Mississippi River,	6, 815, 220
Destination Unknown,	44, 265, 400
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	163, 269, 210

M. W. McDONNELL,
Lbr. Inspector.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By W. E. Carter:

Jt. Res. No. 3, A.,

WHEREAS, His Honor, the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Wisconsin, Edward G. Ryan, is suffering from illness and debility resulting from confinement and over-work in the discharge of the arduous and responsible duties of his position, and

WHEREAS, rest and recreation are absolutely necessary to his speedy restoration to health and strength, to enable him to resume his labors upon the bench, therefore,

Resolved, by the Assembly, the Senate concurring, That leave of absence be, and hereby is granted him during the present term of said court.

Adopted.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED.

By Mr. Bailey:

Res. No. 5, A.,

Relating to inviting resident clergy to open session with prayer.

Mr. Ries moved to amend as follows: "But no money, or other compensation shall be paid from the funds of this state for services performed under this resolution."

The resolution and amendment were made the special order for to-morrow at 11 o'clock, A. M.

By Mr. Hubbard:

Res. No. 8, A.,

Relating to the rules of the Assembly,

Was lost.

By Mr. Mohr:

Res. No. 10, A.,

On motion of Mr. Johnson, the resolution was amended by inserting the figures "1876" after the figures "1875."

On motion of Mr. Carter, the resolution was amended by striking out the words "six copies of Taylor's Statutes."

On motion of Mr. Linderman, the resolution was amended by adding the words, "Senate and Assembly Journals of 1876."

Resolution as amended, adopted.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By Mr. Truell:

No. 2, A.,

A bill relating to hawkers and pedlars, and amendatory of section 3, of chapter 395, of the laws of 1876.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Vance:

No. 3, A.,

A bill to amend an act to incorporate the Chamber of Commerce of the city of Milwaukee, approved February 29, 1868.

To Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Sarnow :

No. 4, A.,

A bill to revive chapter 112 general laws of 1870 and chapter 58 general laws of 1872.

To Committee on Militia.

By Mr. Pierce :

No. 5, A.,

A bill to amend section 44 of chapter 165, of the Revised Statutes entitled "Of offenses against property", and the act amendatory thereof.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Hamilton :

No. 6, A.,

A bill to extend the time of exemption from assessment and taxation of certain lands fixed in the act incorporating the Winnebago and Lake Superior Railroad Company, approved April 6, 1866; and in the act incorporating the Portage and Superior Railroad Company, approved April 9, 1866.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Black:

No. 7, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 121 of the laws of 1874, entitled "an act for the preservation of game in the counties of Eau Claire, Chippewa, Dunn, Trempeleau, Buffalo, and Pepin".

To Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. W. E. Carter :

No. 8, A.,

A bill relating to wills proved and allowed in any other of the United States or the Territories thereof.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Hammel:

No. 9, A.,

A bill to fix the maximum amount of stationery, postage stamps and newspaper allowances that members of the Legislature, officers, and employees thereof, and others shall be entitled to receive at the expense of the state.

To Committee on Legislative Expenditures.

By Mr. Luchsinger:

No. 10, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 314 of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act relating to trespassing on state lands" and for the repeal of chapter twenty one of the general laws of 1871 entitled "an act to consolidate and amend the laws relating to trespassing on state lands".

To Committee on State Lands.

By Mr. Dailey:

No. 11, A.,

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the town of Kinnickinnic in St. Croix County.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Bock:

No. 12, A.,

A bill to permit tender after action commenced on involuntary trespass and contract.

To Committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Mohr,
The Assembly adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17, 1877.

Assembly met.

The Speaker in the chair.

The roll was called, and the following members present:

Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Baily, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flynn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Gøtze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Van Waters, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker.

The following members absent without leave—Messrs. Salentine, Wall, and Knowlton.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Leave of absence was granted to

Messrs. Brost, Van Waters, and Wright, (after the morning session), until Friday morning,

To Mr. Salentine till Thursday morning.

To Mr. Merrill till Monday evening.

MEMORIALS PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. McCarty:

Mem. No. 1, A.,

Petition of C. Pierce and other citizens of Waukesha county, for a law for the better protection of life in certain cases.

Referred to Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Burnett:

Mem. No. 2, A.,
Petition of John Buckley, Edward Fitzgerald, John Sullivan,
and others, praying for an act to legalize the proceedings of the
school board of District No. 1, Town of El Paso, Pierce county.
Referred to Judiciary Committee.

COMMUNICATIONS.

STATE OF WISCONSIN,
OFFICE OF SEC. STATE BOARD OF CENTENNIAL MANAGERS,
MADISON, *January 17, 1877.*

Hon. J. B. Cassoday, Speaker of the Assembly:

MY DEAR SIR:—We have the pleasure to herewith transmit, by
you, to the Honorable the Assembly, a copy of a preamble and
resolutions adopted by the State Board of Centennial Managers
July 10th, 1876, and approved by his excellency the Governor.

Very Respectfully,

J. B. PARKINSON,
President.

W. W. FIELD,
Secretary.

WHEREAS, The women of Wisconsin made a display of articles
at the Centennial Exhibition at Philadelphia that was highly
creditable to the state as well as to themselves, and

WHEREAS, In the opinion of this Board they have labored with
zeal and effect, and are justly entitled to a portion of the appro-
priation made by the state for Centennial purposes, and

WHEREAS, There is doubt as to the authority of this board to
make an appropriation to the women, therefore

Resolved, That the Legislature be, and it is hereby especially re-
quested, by the adoption of a joint resolution, to authorize the
State Board of Centennial Managers to appropriate one thousand
dollars out of any balance in their hands, of the amount appro-
priated by the Legislatures of 1875 and 1876, to the Women's
State Centennial Executive Committee, to aid the women in de-
fraying the expenses and indebtedness incurred in making their
exhibition at Philadelphia; *provided*, that the women shall place
at the disposal of the state authorities all such articles as consti-
tuted their state exhibits.

I hereby approve the above resolution.

H. LUDINGTON,
Governor.

Referred to Committee on State Affairs.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Wyatt:

Jt. Res. No. 4, A.,

Resolved by the Assembly, the Senate concurring, That our senators and representatives in Congress be respectively requested to use their influence for the passage of House Bill No. 2803, and in accordance with the sixth and seventh sections of Senate Bill No. 2454, both favorably reported from the respective committees of pensions in Congress, allowing pensions to date from the discharge in case of the soldiers, and from death of the husband, in case of the widow.

Laid over under the rules.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By Mr. Kast:

No. 13, A.,

A bill to establish the school district of the city of Shawaaoo and to regulate its boundaries.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Deland:

No. 14, A.,

A bill to amend section 2 of chapter 344 of the general laws of 1876, entitled "an act to codify and consolidate all laws in relation to town insurance companies."

To Committee on Insurance, Banks and Banking.

By Mr. Vincent:

No. 15, A.,

A bill relating to the terms of the several circuit courts of the eleventh judicial circuit, petit juries therein, and authorizing the employment of a phonographic reporter therein, and fixing the compensation of said reporter.

To Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Wannemaker:

No. 16, A.,

A bill to amend section 39 of chapter 117 of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of county courts."

To Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Wannemaker:

No. 17, A.,

A bill in relation to the guardianship of insane persons and spendthrifts.

To Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Spence:

No. 18, A.,

A bill to amend the city charter of Fond du Lac, and to repeal

chapter 474 of the private and local laws of the year 1871, and acts amendatory thereto.

To Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Burnett:

No. 19, A.,

A bill legalizing the proceedings of school district No. 1, town of El Paso, Pierce county.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. M. Johnson:

No. 20, A.,

A bill to amend sections one and three of chapter 395 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1876, an act entitled "an act relating to hawkers and peddlers, and amendatory of chapter 72 of the laws of 1870.

To Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Herron:

No. 21, A.,

A bill to provide for the payment of the fees of the clerks of the circuit and county courts in certain cases.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Hamilton:

No. 22, A.,

A bill to enlarge and extend the corporate limits of the city of Milwaukee.

To members from Milwaukee county.

By Mr. Black:

No. 23, A.,

A bill relating to town treasurers and defining their duties in certain cases.

To Committee on Town and County Organizations.

By Mr. W. E. Carter:

No. 24, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of Joseph Mason, a justice of the peace of the county of Grant.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Pope:

No. 25, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 104 of the general laws of this state for the year 1870, entitled "an act to aid the West Wisconsin Railway company."

To Committee on Railroads.

SPECIAL ORDER.

Res. No. 5, A.,

Inviting resident clergy to open session with prayer,

Was passed without amendment by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas

Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Bock, Brooks, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Dale, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Dostader, Dousman, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flynn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, M. Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, McCollum, Merrill, Mitchell, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Sylvester, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Walker, Wannemaker, Weeks, Wyatt, Zeiman. Mr. Speaker.—76.

Nayes—Messrs. Blakeslee, Brost, Crockett, Goetze, Hubbard, McCarty, Mohr, Nelson, Ries, Sarnow, Senn, Stapleton, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Van Waters, Wedig, Wright—18.

On motion of Mr. McCarty,
The Assembly adjourned.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 18th, 1877.

The Assembly met.

Mr. Speaker in the Chair.

The roll was called, and the following members present:

Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Dostader, Dousman, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flynn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Roche, Salentine, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wyatt, Mr. Speaker.

Absent.—Messrs. Black, Brost, Carmichael, McCarty, Ringle, Vincent, Wall, Wright, Zeiman.

Absent on leave.—Messrs. Brost, Van Waters, Wright, and Merrill.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Leave of absence was granted

To Messrs. Zeiman and Wall indefinitely;

To Messrs. Shepard, Vincent, Black and Carmichael till Friday morning;

To Mr. Ringle till Monday evening;

To Mr. Earnest till Friday evening.

MEMORIALS PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. Bailey :

Mem. No. 3, A.,

Petition of H. O. Morris and 166 others, citizens of the town of Eagle, in Richland county, for alteration in town lines of said town.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Bailey :

Mem. No. 4, A.,

Petition of J. Sharp and 60 other citizens of Orion, Richland county, for alteration of town lines of said town.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Wyatt :

Jt. Res. No. 4, A.,

Resolved by the Assembly, the Senate concurring, That our Senators and Representatives in Congress be respectfully requested to use their influence for the passage of house bill No. 2803, and in accordance with the sixth and seventh sections of senate bill No. 2454, both favorably reported from the respective committees of pensions in Congress, allowing pensions to date from the discharge, in case of the soldiers, and from death of the husband, in case of the widows.

Read first and second times, and referred to Committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Spence :

Jt. Res. No. 5, A.,

Resolved by the Assembly, the Senate concurring, That no new business, except privileged resolutions, be received after February 1, 1877.

Laid over under the rules.

By Mr. Leavens :

Jt. Res. No. 6, A.,

Resolved by the Assembly, the Senate concurring, That the librarian of the state library be instructed to keep the library rooms open between the hours of seven (7) and ten (10) o'clock p. m., for the accommodation of the Legislature.

Laid over under the rules.

By Mr. Pope :

Jt. Res. No. 7, A.,

Resolved, by the Assembly, the Senate concurring, That section 1 of article 8 of the constitution of this state be amended so as to read as follows : "The rule of taxation shall be uniform, and taxes shall be levied upon all property, except only public property and places set apart and used for the burial of the dead."

Read first and second times, and referred to Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Knapp:

Jt. Res. No. 8, A.,

Resolved, by the Assembly, the Senate concurring, That the Railroad Commissioner be instructed to use his influence to secure an afternoon or evening railroad connection between Madison and the northeastern portion of the state.

Laid over under the rules.

By Mr. Spence:

Res. No. 11, A.,

Resolved, That the revisers of the statutes, appointed in pursuance of section 1, of chapter 203 of the laws of Wisconsin, for the year 1875, be and hereby are requested to make, at the earliest day possible, a report of their progress in their work, the number of days each of them has been able to devote to such work since the last session of the legislature, whether the whole work of revision can be completed so as to report the same to the present legislature, and if such work cannot be completed during the present session, how much additional time will, in their judgment, be required for its completion.

By Mr. Hubbard:

Res. No. 12, A.,

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Wisconsin did, on Friday, January the 12th, 1877, without the consent of the Assembly, adjourn until Tuesday, January the 16th; and

WHEREAS, Section 10, of article 4, of the constitution, in express terms, declares, that "neither house shall, without the consent of the other, adjourn for more than three days;" therefore,

Resolved, That the sergeant-at-arms be, and he is hereby directed to bring the Senate of the State of Wisconsin before the bar of this house to answer for contempt.

To Committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By Mr. Cash:

No. 26, A.,

A bill to prevent killing or disturbing of wild pigeon, while on their brooding grounds.

To Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Bailey:

No. 27, A.,

A bill to detach certain territory from the town of Orion, and attach the same to the town of Eagle in the county of Richland, State of Wisconsin.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

Mr. Salentine:

No. 28, A.,

A bill to compel the specific performance of written contracts between landlord and tenant, in certain cases.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Dorwin:

No. 29, A.,

A bill to establish and maintain a ferry across Lake Pepin and the Mississippi River, from Pepin in the county of Pepin.

To Committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Ries:

No. 30, A.,

A bill in relation to judgments and executions for wages for manual labor.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Spence:

No. 31, A.,

A bill to prevent the commission of waste upon lands, upon which tax certificates are outstanding and unpaid.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Flanders,

No. 32, A.,

A bill to regulate the practice in certain cases.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. W. E. Carter,

No. 33, A.

A bill for an act to repeal section 1 of chapter 194 of the general laws of 1874, relating to verdicts and exceptions.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. W. E. Carter,

No. 34, A.,

A bill for an act entitled an act to amend chapter 20 of general laws of 1876, relating to judges of courts of record.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Leavens:

No. 35, A.,

A bill relating to the apportionment of the state into senate and assembly districts, and amendatory of chapter 343 of the general laws of 1876.

To Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Pope:

No. 36, A.,

A bill to enable the county of Jackson, to compromise its bonded indebtedness.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Pope:

No. 37, A.,

A bill relating to village cemeteries.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Flanders:

No. 38, A.,

A bill to regulate the practice in certain cases.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Luchsinger:

No. 39, A.,

A bill to provide for the education of the feeble minded children of this state.

To Committee on Penal and Charitable Institutions.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The Standing Committee on the Judiciary have had under consideration

No. 8, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 58 of the laws of 1876, relating to foreign wills, and have instructed me to report the same back to the Assembly with the recommendation that the same do pass; also

No. 5, A.,

A bill to amend section 44, of chapter 165, of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of offences against property" and the act amendatory thereof;

With amendments, and recommend its passage when so amended.

CARL C. POPE,
Chairman.

The Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes to whom was referred

No. 2, A.,

A bill relating to hawkers and pedlers, and amendatory of section 3 of chapter 395 of laws of 1876,

Have had the same under consideration, and report the same back with amendment and recommend its passage when so amended.

D. P. HULL,
Chairman.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By A. J. Turner, Chief Clerk thereof:

Mr. Speaker:—I am directed to inform you that the Senate has concurred in

Jt. Res. No. 3, A.,

Granting leave of absence to Hon. Edward G. Ryan, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court.

And has adopted, and asks the concurrence of the Assembly in
Jt. Res. No. 3, S.,
Limiting time for introduction of new business, and fixing time
for final adjournment.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 3, S.,
Was read first and second times and referred to Committee on
Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Hubbard,
The Assembly adjourned.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 19, 1877.

Assembly met.

The Speaker in the chair.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. E. D. Huntley.

The roll was called and the following members present:

Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flynn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Leavens, Luchsinger, Maxwell, McCollum, Mitchell, Mohr, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Roche, Salentine, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shufelt, Spence, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Van Waters, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker.

Absent—Messrs. Black, Earnest Lindsay, Linderman, Marx, McCarty, Merrill, Nelson, Ringle, Shepard, Stapleton.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Zeiman, Wall, Ringle, Earnest, and Merrill.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Leave on absence was granted,

To Messrs. Lindsay, Walker, and Anderson, till Wednesday morning,

To Messrs. Linderman and Nelson, till Tuesday evening.

To Messrs. Stapleton, Herron, McCarty, Blakeslee, Shepard, Sylvester, Wyatt, Kinzie and Zieman, till Tuesday morning,

To Mr. Black till Monday evening.

To Mr. Arnot till Wednesday morning.

Mr. W. J. Fisk moved that when the Assembly do adjourn, it adjourn till Monday evening.

The ayes and nays were called for and the roll was called with the following result:

Ayes—Messrs Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Blakeslee, Burnett, Cash, Dale, Doxtader, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Fitzgerald, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Johnston, Kast, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Luchsinger, McCollum, Mitchell, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Pope, Ries, Rice, Roche, Salentine, Sarnow, Scheuber, Shufelt, Vance, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker—43.

Nays—Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, Brooks, Brost, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Dousman, Field, Flanders, Flynn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Johnson, Kelly, Leavens, Maxwell, Mohr, Neuhauser, Phillips, Senn, Seymour, Spence, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, VanWaters, Wannemaker—42.

MEMORIALS PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. Kast:

M. C. No. 3, A.,

A Memorial to Congress for increased mail facilities in Western portion of Oconto county.

To Committee on Federal Relations.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Lushinger:

Res. No. 13, A.,

Resolved, That the use of the Assembly Chamber be, and is hereby granted to the Agricultural, and State Horticultural Societies on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings, February 6th, 7th and 8th, 1877, for the delivery of addresses and reading of papers as follows: Tuesday evening, address by John Bascom, D.D., L.L.D., president of the University of Wisconsin, upon "Diminishing Returns;" Wednesday, paper by Prof. W. W. Daniels, of the University of Wisconsin, upon "Principles of stock feeding," and J. S. Hickney, upon "What I would like to do;" Thursday, paper by W. F. Allen, A. M., of the University of Wisconsin, upon "Agriculture in the middle ages," and Mr. W. J. T. Nicodemus, A. M., C. E., of the University of Wisconsin, upon "Our marsh lands, how best to utilize them."

Rules suspended, and resolution adopted.

By Mr. Hyde:

Res. No. 14, A.,

Resolved, That the post office of the Assembly Chamber be closed on Sunday, except during the hours from 9 to 10 A. M., and 4:30 to 6 P. M.

By Mr. Spence:

Jt. Res. No. 9, A.,

To amend section three (3) of article eleven (11) of the constitution.

Resolved by the Assembly, the Senate concurring, That section three (3) of article eleven (11) of the constitution of this state be amended by adding, at the end of said section, the following words: No county, township, city, village, school district, or other municipal corporation, shall ever become a subscriber to the capital stock of any railroad or private corporation, or make any donation to or loan its credit in aid of such corporation in any manner; *provided*, however, that the adoption of this article shall not be construed as affecting the right of any such municipal corporation to make such subscription where the same has been authorized under existing laws by a vote or agreement of the people of such municipal corporation prior to such adoption.

Read first and second times and referred to Judiciary committee.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Judiciary have had under consideration,

Jt. Res. No. 3, S.,

Limiting time for introduction of new business and fixing time for final adjournment,

And have instructed me to report the same back to the Assembly with the recommendation that the Assembly concur with the Senate in the adoption of the same. The committee further recommend that the title to said joint resolution be amended by striking out the words "and fixing time for final adjournment."

CARL C. POPE,
Chairman.

The Committee on Incorporations have had under consideration the following bill, and report the same back as follows:

No. 3, A.,

A bill to amend an act to incorporate the Chamber of Commerce of the City of Milwaukee, approved Feb. 29th, 1868,

And instruct me to report the same back with the recommendation that it do pass.

A. D. DELAND,
Chairman.

Mr. Arnold moved that the vote by which the Assembly agreed to adjourn to Monday evening, be reconsidered.

Upon which the ayes and nays were ordered; pending which,

Mr. W. J. Fisk moved that the Assembly do now adjourn,

Upon which the ayes and nays were called, with the following result:

Ayes.—Messrs. Abell, Arnot, Blakeslee, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Flynn, Grover, Hammel, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, McCollum, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Phillips, Pope, Rice, Roche, Sarnow, Shufelt, Thornton, Vincent, Weeks, Wyatt, Zieman.—38.

Noes.—Arnold, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, Brooks, Brost, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dale, Deland, Dixon, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Gray, Greening, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Johnson, Leavens, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Mitchell, Mohr, Pierce, Senn, Seymour, Spence, Sylvester, Tisch, Touhey, Truell, Van Waters, Walker, Wannemaker, Wright, Mr. Speaker.—40.

The motion to adjourn was lost.

The question now being upon the motion to reconsider the motion to adjourn till Monday evening, the roll was called with the the following result:

Ayes—Messrs. Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dale, Deland, Dixon, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Gray, Hubbard, Hull, Johnson, Johnston, Leavens, Maxwell, Mohr, Neuhauser, Owen, Senn, Spence, Sylvester, Tisch, Truell, Wannemaker, Wright, Mr. Speaker.—35.

Noes—Messrs. Abell, Arnold, Cash, Carmichael, Dailey, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Flynn, Greening, Grover, Hammel, Hulburt, Kast, Kelley, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Luchsinger, McCollum, Mitchell, Newman, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Rice, Roche, Seymour, Shufelt, Thornton, Touhey, Vincent, Van Waters, Weeks, Wyatt.—39.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED.

By Mr. Spence:

Jt. Res. No. 5, A.,

Relative to the introduction of new business.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Leavens:

Jt. Res. No. 6, A.,

Relating to opening state library in the evening.

Amended by inserting, instead of "instructed," the word "requested," and adopted as amended.

By Mr. Knapp :

Jt. Res. No. 8, A.,

Relating to an afternoon or evening railroad connection between Madison and the northeastern portion of the state.

Indefinitely postponed.

By Mr. Spence :

Jt. Res. No. 9, A.,

To amend section 3 of article 11, of the constitution.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Spence :

Res. No. 11, A.,

Relating to the revision of the statutes,

Was amended by adding, at the end of the resolution, the words, "and the Judiciary Committee are requested to notify such revisers of the passage of this resolution."

Adopted as amended.

By Mr. Hyde :

Res. No. 14, A.,

For closing the Assembly post office on Sunday.

Adopted.

Jt. Res. No. 3, S.,

Limiting time for introduction of new business and fixing time for final adjournment.

Reported from Committee, rules suspended and concurred in by Assembly. Title amended.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By Mr. Weeks :

No. 40, A.,

A bill in relation to beggars, vagrants and tramps.

To Committee on Medical Societies.

By Mr. Hull :

No. 41, A.,

A bill to repeal section 9, chapter 184, of the laws of 1874, relating to official newspapers of the City of Milwaukee.

Referred to members from the City of Milwaukee.

By Mr. W. E. Carter :

No. 42, A.,

A bill relating to estates in dower, and amendatory of sections 17, 18, and 19 of chapter 89 of the revised statutes.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. W. E. Carter :

No. 43, A.,

A bill relating to evidence in certain cases, and to provide an executive privy seal.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Johnston :

No. 44, A.,

A bill relating to legal holidays, and amendatory of chapter 32, general laws of 1872.

To Committee on Education.

By Mr. Johnston :

No. 45, A.,

A bill relating to railroads.

To Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Leavens :

No. 46, A.,

A bill to provide for the distribution of license monies in Winnebago county.

To Winnebago county delegation.

By Mr. Spence :

No. 47, A.,

A bill relating to foreclosure of mortgages by advertisement, and amendatory of section 6, chapter 154, of the revised statutes.

To Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Spence :

No. 48, A.,

A bill in relation to fees of county judges, and to repeal chapter 123 of the laws of 1871, and amendatory of section 2 of chapter 121 of the laws of 1868.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Spence:

No. 49, A.,

A bill relating to municipal aid in the construction of railroads, and to repeal section 3, chapter 289, of the laws of 1873.

To Committee on Incorporations.

By Mr. Spence:

No. 50, A.,

A bill relating to the commencement of actions, and amendatory of section 26 of chapter 138 of the Revised Statutes.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Keogh:

No. 51, A.,

A bill to reduce the rate of interest on bonds hereafter issued by the city of Milwaukee, under section 23, of chapter 311, laws of 1876.

To Milwaukee Delegation.

By Mr. Keogh:

No. 52, A.,

A bill amendatory of and supplementary to the charter of the city of Milwaukee.

To Milwaukee delegation.

On motion of Mr. Bailey,
The Assembly resolved itself into a

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE,

On the General File of bills,

Mr. Pope in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman reported as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: The Assembly, in Committee of the Whole, has had under consideration the general file of bills, has gone through with the same, and has instructed me to report the following bills to the Assembly for its consideration:

No. 5, A.,

A bill to amend section 44, of chapter 165 of the Revised Statutes, entitled, "Of offenses against property," and the acts amendatory thereof,

With amendments.

No. 3, A.,

A bill to amend an act to incorporate the Chamber of Commerce, of the city of Milwaukee, approved, February 29, 1868.

No. 8, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 58, of the laws of 1876, relating to foreign wills,

Without amendments.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE CONSIDERED.

No. 5, A.,

Was re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Nos. 3, A., and 8, A.,

Were severally ordered engrossed, and read a third time.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Leave of absence was granted

To Mr. Knowlton, till Tuesday morning, and

To Mr. Salentine till Monday evening.

On motion of Mr. Hurlburt,
The Assembly adjourned until Monday evening, January 22, at 7:30 o'clock.

MONDAY, JANUARY 22, 1877, 7:30 P. M.

Assembly met.

The Speaker in the chair.

Prayer by the Rev. E. D. Huntley.

The roll was called, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Abell, Arnold, Baily, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Flanders, Flynn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnson, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Leavens, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Pierce, Phillips, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Salentine, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Weeks, Wright, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker—79.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Lindsay, Walker, Anderson, Linderman, Blakeslee, Shepard, Sylvester, Wyatt, Arnot.—9.

Absent—Messrs. Burnett, Dale, Fitzgerald, Gœtze, Hubbard, Johnston, Owen, Pope, Vance, Wannemaker, and Wedig.—11.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted to Messrs. Pope, Dale, Hubbard, Vance, Wedig, Gœtze, and Owen, till Tuesday morning.

To Mr. Burnett, till Tuesday evening.

To Mr. Fitzgerald till Wednesday morning.

To Mr. Johnston indefinitely.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Hulburt:

Res. No. 15, A.,

Resolved, That so much of the Governor's message as relates to

the "state board of health," be referred to the Committee on Medical Societies.

Adopted.

By Mr. Earnest:

Res. No. 16, A.,

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to examine the law creating the State Historical Society, and ascertain whether it is the property of the State of Wisconsin or a private corporation, and report to the Assembly at an early day.

Laid over under the rules.

By Mr. Senn:

Res. No. 17, A.,

Resolved, That the Committee on Engrossed Bills and Enrolled Bills are each authorized to employ a clerk during the present session of the Assembly.

Laid over, upon motion, till Tuesday morning.

By Mr. Black:

Jt. Res. No. 11, A.,

Resolved by the Assembly, the Senate concurring, That section four, (4) article six (6), of the constitution of this state be amended as follows:

Section 4. Sheriffs, coroners, registers of deeds, and district attorneys, shall be chosen by the electors of their respective counties once in every two years and as often as vacancies shall happen. Sheriffs shall hold no other office. They may be required by law to renew their security from time to time, and in default of giving such security their offices shall be deemed vacant. But the county shall never be made responsible for the acts of the sheriff. The governor may remove any officer mentioned in this section, giving to such officer a copy of the charges against him, and an opportunity of being heard in his defense.

To Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Hamilton moved that a committee of three be appointed to revise the rules of the assembly, the Speaker to act as one member of said committee.

Motion was carried, and the speaker appointed upon said committee Messrs. Hamilton and W. E. Carter.

By Mr. Bailey:

Jt. Res. No. 10, A.,

WHEREAS, According to law, the 7th day of November, 1876, was set apart for the qualified voters of the several states of the union, to choose electors for president and vice president of the United States, according to the laws of their respective states; and

WHEREAS, It is the constitutional right of every native born or naturalized citizen of the United States, irrespective of race, color, or previous condition, to vote without bias by fear or favor for the men of his choice for electors at such election; and

WHEREAS, It is charged by certain parties, and denied by certain other parties, that in certain states at the election held on the 7th day of November, 1876, intimidation and fraud prevailed to

such extent as to shroud the result of the election in these states in perplexing doubts; and

WHEREAS, There is no constituted tribunal having undisputed jurisdiction over and authority to settle the complications that have grown out of said election; and

WHEREAS, We believe that the best interests of the entire country demand a speedy and peaceful solution of the pending presidential difficulties; and

WHEREAS, We believe that the people of all parties desire, and will cheerfully acquiesce in the inauguration of the man who shall be authoritatively decided elected; and

WHEREAS, There are doubts in the public mind as to the authority which shall declare who were elected president and vice-president on the 7th day of November, 1876; and

WHEREAS, We believe the measure reported by the joint committee, and now pending in congress, providing for the count of the electoral vote of 1876, promises the most satisfactory solution of the presidential difficulties yet proposed; therefore,

Resolved by the Assembly, the Senate concurring, That our Senators in the Senate of the United States be requested and our members of the House of Representatives be instructed to favor the plan reported by the joint commission for counting the electoral vote, and secure its early adoption.

Resolved, That his excellency the governor be requested to forward to our Senators and Representatives in Congress each a copy of the foregoing resolution.

Read first and second times, and referred to Committee on Federal Relations.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By Mr. Herron:

No. 53, A.,

A bill relating to justices' courts, and amendatory of section 218, of chapter 120, of Revised Statutes.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Johnson:

No. 54, A.,

A bill relating to the assessment and collection of highway taxes in certain cases.

To Committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Johnson:

No. 55, A.,

A bill relating to fences and amendatory of section 1, of chapter 17, of the Revised Statutes for the year 1858, an act entitled "of fences and fence viewers, of pounds and the impounding of cattle."

To Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Kast:

No. 56, A.,

A bill to authorize the town of Richmond in Shawano county, to issue bonds for the purpose of building a certain bridge.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Hull:

No. 57, A.,

A bill to make Good Friday a legal holiday.

To Committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. Hull:

No. 58, A.,

A bill for the limitation of tax certificates, owned by counties and municipal corporations.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Mitchell:

No. 59, A.,

A bill relating to witness fees in courts of record, and amendatory of chapter 146 of general laws of 1869.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Dixon:

No. 60, A.,

A bill for the division of the counties of Chippewa and Lincoln, and the creation of the county of "Ludington."

To Committee on Town and County organization.

By Mr. Dixon:

No. 61, A.,

A bill relating to fire departments, and amendatory of chapter 126, general laws of 1870.

To Committee on Incorporations.

By Mr. Cash:

No. 62, A.,

A bill to appropriate money to the Lemonwier Valley Horticultural Society.

To Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Herron:

No. 63, A.,

A bill relating to attorneys' fees in justice courts, and amendatory of section one of chapter 96, of the laws of 1876.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Black:

No. 64, A.,

A bill relating to certain offenses, and amendatory of section (5) five of chapter 170 of the revised statutes.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Black:

No. 65, A.,

A bill relating to the assessment of property for taxation, and

the levy of taxes thereon, and amendatory of section 33, of chapter 130 of the laws of 1868.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of taxes.

By Mr. Leavens :

No. 66, A.,

A bill relating to printing, and amendatory of section 28, chapter 243, of the general laws of 1874.

To Committee on Printing.

By Mr. W. E. Carter,

No. 67, A.,

A bill to authorize J. T. Mills, late judge of the 5th judicial circuit, to retain certain books on payment therefor.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. W. E. Carter :

No. 68, A.,

A bill relating to notaries public.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Keogh :

No. 69, A.,

A bill to provide for an examination before a jury, and amendatory of sections 2, of chapter 37, Revised Statutes, entitled of the "support of bastards."

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Hammel:

No. 70, A.,

A bill relating to the liability of counties in certain cases, and amendatory of section one of chapter 35, of the general laws of 1860.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Keogh:

No. 71, A.,

A bill relating to justices courts, and amendatory of section 47 of chapter 120 of the Revised Statutes.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Vincent:

No. 72, A.,

A bill relating to liens for labor upon logs and timber in Chippewa county, and amendatory of section 1, chapter 372, of general laws of 1876.

To Committee on Lumber and Manufactures.

By Mr. Kelly:

No. 73, A.,

A bill relating to the preservation of game, and amendatory of section one of chapter 121 of the laws of 1874.

To Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Dorwin:

No. 74, A.,

A bill relating to the taxation of lands of the West Wisconsin

Railway Company, and amendatory of section one of chapter 104 of the laws of this state for the year 1870.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Wright:

No. 75, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 27 of the general laws of 1875, entitled "an act to amend chapter 423 of private and local laws of 1871, entitled 'an act to authorize the county clerk of Door county to make and keep an abstract of tax rolls, deeds, and redemptions in said county, and to revive said chapter 423.'"

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Earnest:

No 76, A.,

A bill relating to the office of state, county, town and municipal corporation treasurers.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Phillips:

No. 77, A.,

A bill relating to practice in justices courts, and amendatory of section three, chapter 120 of the Revised Statutes.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Spence:

No. 78, A.,

A bill to confer civil jurisdiction in the county court of Fond du Lac county.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Carmichael:

No 79, A.,

A bill relating to and amendatory of sections 61 and 82 of chapter 15 of the Revised Statutes, and section one of chapter 71 of the general laws of the year 1869.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Rice:

No. 80, A.,

A bill relating to authorizing the commissioners of school and university lands to loan a portion of the trust funds to the county of Racine, and amendatory of chapter one hundred and seventy (170) of the general laws of 1876.

To Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Knowlton:

No. 81, A.,

A bill relating to grading and turnpiking highways and roads in this state.

To Committee on Roads and Bridges.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

By A. J. TURNER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:—I am directed to inform you that the Senate has passed and asks the concurrence of the Assembly in

No. 38, S.,

A bill to fix the time for holding the general and special terms of the circuit court in the thirteenth judicial circuit.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By A. J. TURNER, chief clerk thereof.

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform you that the Senate has passed and asks the concurrence of the Assembly in

No. 5, S.,

A bill to amend chapter one hundred and twenty-two of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act relating to the city of Portage and codifying, consolidating and amending the act of incorporation, and all acts amendatory thereof."

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By A. J. TURNER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform you that the Senate has passed, and asks the concurrence of the assembly in,

No. 7, S.,

A bill to regulate the time of holding general and special terms of the circuit court in the sixth judicial circuit.

And has adopted, and asks the concurrence of the Assembly in, Jt. Res. No. 2, S.,

Agreeing to an amendment to section four, article seven, of the Constitution of the State of Wisconsin.

SENATE MESSAGES CONSIDERED.

Read first and second times, and referred.

Nos. 5, 7 and 38, S., and

Jt. Res. No. 2, S.,

Were referred to Committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. McCarty,
The Assembly adjourned,

TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 1877.

Assembly met,

The Speaker in the chair.

Prayer by the Rev. E. D. Huntley.

The roll was called and the following members were present:

Messrs. Abell, Arnold, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnson, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Leavens, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Price, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Salentine, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker.

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Absent on leave—Messrs. Fitzgerald, Johnston, Lindsay, Walker, Anderson, Arnot—6.

Absent—Earnest, Hubbard—2.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Wright, (after the morning session,) till Tuesday morning next.

To Mr. Hubbard, indefinitely.

MEMORIALS PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. Cash:

Mem. No. 5, A.,

Petition of 80 citizens of Juneau county, in favor of a law to

prevent the killing or disturbing of pigeons on their brooding grounds.

To Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Kast:

Mem. No. 6, A.,

Petition of C. R. Johnston, Edward Golden, F. W. P. Lowband, and 23 others, for the formation of a new county from the northern part of Oconto county.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Kast:

Mem. No. 7, A.,

Petition of Menominee River Lumber Co., Wm. E. Barden and 30 others, for the formation of a new county from the northern part of Oconto county.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Kast:

Mem. No. 8, A.,

Petition of Fred. Walker and 28 others, for the formation of a new county out of the northern part of Oconto county.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Kast:

Mem. No. 9, A.,

Petition of Alex. E. Houston and 24 others, for the formation of a new county out of the northern part of Oconto county.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Kast:

Mem. No. 10, A.,

Petition of T. A. Hayden and 37 others, for the formation of a new county out of the northern part of Oconto county.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Kast:

Mem. No. 11, A.,

Petition of Patrick Gallaher and twenty-seven others, for the formation of a new county out of the northern portion of Oconto county.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Kast:

Mem. No. 12, A.,

Petition of A. C. Brown and thirty-four others, for the formation of a new county out of the northern part of Oconto county.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Kast:

Mem. No. 13, A.,

Petition of Charles J. Ellis and thirty others, for the formation of a new county out of the northern part of Oconto county.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Kast:

Mem. No. 14, A.,
Petition of D. C. Prescott and twenty-nine others, for the formation of a new county out of the northern part of Oconto county.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Kast:

Mem. No. 15, A.,
Petition of Patrick Darrah and thirty-two others, for the formation of a new county out of the northern portion of Oconto county.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Kast:

Mem. No. 16, A.,
Petition of J. J. Sherman and eighteen others, for the formation of a new county out of the northern portion of Oconto county.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Kast:

Mem. No. 17, A.,
Petition of C. W. Henry and 19 others, for the formation of a new county out of the northern portion of Oconto county.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Kast:

Mem. No. 18, A.,
Petition of Caleb Williams, Fred Carney and 23 others, for the formation of a new county out of the northern portion of Oconto county.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Kast:

Mem. No. 19, A.,
Petition of Jas. B. Rood and 24 others, for the formation of a new county out of the northern portion of Oconto county.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Kast:

Mem. No. 20, A.,
Petition of H. O. Fairchild and 34 others, for the formation of a new county out of the northern portion of Oconto county.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Black:

M. C. No. 4, A.,
For service on a mail route now established from Menominee, Dunn county, to Erin Corners, St. Croix county.

Read first and second times, and referred to Committee on Federal Relations.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. P. Baldwin:

Res. No. 18, A.,

Resolved, That the use of the Assembly chamber be and is hereby

granted to Col. W. B. Slaughter for Thursday evening next, for the delivery of a lecture entitled "Reminiscences of Chief Justice Marshall, Thomas Jefferson, John Randolph, of Roanoke, and Gen. Andrew Jackson." Lecture to be free.

Adopted.

By Mr. Bock :

Jt. Res. No. 12, A.,

WHEREAS, The legislature of 1876 appropriated the sum of \$20,000 for centennial purposes ; and

WHEREAS, By the report of the secretary of state the accountings of the state board of centennial managers appear ambiguous in many respects ; and

WHEREAS, The people of the state of Wisconsin and the tax payers thereof have an inherent right to inquire into the details and nature of all expenditures incurred by the state, and to be accounted for by the said centennial managers ; therefore

Resolved by the Assembly, the Senate concurring, That the state board of centennial managers render to the present legislature, forthwith, a true and correct account of all monies drawn from the state treasury for centennial purposes, and also forthwith render a true and correct itemized account, in detail, of any and all necessary expenditures really and actually incurred in the exposition of Wisconsin products, manufactures, resources, etc., at the Philadelphia exposition of 1876, giving in said account dates and names, by whom, for whom, and for what purpose or purposes said expenditures were so made.

Resolved, further, that of the account so rendered two printed copies of the same be laid upon the desk of each member of the present legislature.

Rules suspended and resolution adopted.

By Mr. W. E. Carter :

Jt. Res. No. 13, A.,

Resolved, by the Assembly, the Senate concurring, That a joint committee of three members of the Assembly, one of whom shall be the speaker, and two members of the Senate, be appointed to revise the joint rules of the Senate and Assembly.

Rules suspended and resolution adopted.

The Speaker appointed on such committee Messrs. W. E. Carter and Hamilton.

By Select Committee :

Res. No. 20, A.,

Resolved, That the assembly rule number 85, be and the same is hereby rescinded, and assembly rule No. 84, be and the same is hereby amended, and that in place of said rules, the following be and the same are hereby adopted as rules 84 and 85 of the assembly, to wit :

RULE 84. Whenever any bill, or any memorial or joint resolution requiring the signature of the governor shall have been reported to the assembly with amendment by any standing com-

mittee, and subsequently considered by the committee of the whole, the action of the committee of the whole on every such amendment, shall be noted by or endorsed by the chairman of such committee.

RULE 85. No amendment to any bill, or any memorial or joint resolution, requiring the signature of the governor, which has been made or considered in Committee of the Whole, shall be read by the speaker on resuming the chair, unless required by one or more of the members, but the speaker shall state what action has been taken by each committee which has considered the same, or thereon endorsed or noted, and the question shall first be put upon every such amendment, and the same shall be disposed of in the same manner as if the amendment had been originally proposed in the Assembly; and no recommendation or other proposition not in the nature of an amendment to any such bill, memorial or joint resolution, so reported to the Assembly by any committee or Committee of the Whole, shall be put to the Assembly by the speaker, unless the same shall be presented in the Assembly on motion of some member.

Laid over under the rules.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED.

By Mr. Earnest:

Res. No. 16, A.,

Relating to the appointing of a committee to investigate the law in relation to the State Historical Society.

Resolution adopted, and the Speaker appointed upon said committee, Messrs. Merrill, Truell and Earnest.

By Mr. Senn:

Res. No. 17, A.,

In relation to the appointment of a clerk on the Committees of Engrossed and Enrolled bills.

Tabled.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times, and referred.

By Mr. Van Waters:

No. 82, A.,

A bill to amend section 2, of chapter 93, of the General Laws of 1871, entitled an act to repeal sections 4 and 8, of chapter 160, of the General Laws of 1859, and re-enact section 4, of chapter 61, of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 1, of chapter 202, of the General Laws of 1860, entitled "an act to prescribe the rate of interest."

To Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. McCollum:

No. 83, A.,

A bill regulating the width of highways in cases of suits for damages.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Wright:

No. 84, A.,

A bill to amend section 16, of chapter 141, of the Revised Statutes, of actions for the recovery of real property.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Wright:

No. 85, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 60 of general laws of 1866, in relation to registering the names of persons declaring their intention to become citizens of the United States.

To Committee on Privileges and Elections.

By Mr. Hull:

No. 86, A.,

A bill relating to fees of jurors, and to amend chapter 280 of the general laws of 1874.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Gray:

No. 87, A.,

A bill relating to the geological survey of the State of Wisconsin, and amendatory of chapter 292 of the general laws of 1873, entitled "an act to provide for a complete geological survey of Wisconsin," and to repeal chapter 137 of the general laws of 1870, entitled "an act to provide for the survey of the lead district, making maps and collecting statistics from the same," and chapter 136 of the general laws of 1872, amendatory thereof.

To Committee on Education.

By Mr. Dixon:

No. 88, A.,

A bill to repeal sections one and two of chapter 360 of the general laws of 1876, relating to the hunting of deer with dogs.

To Committee on Militia.

By Mr. Spence:

No. 89, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 404 of the laws of 1876, relating to counties and county officers.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Burnett:

No. 90, A.,

A bill to amend section 12, chapter 4 of chapter 337, private and local laws of 1871, entitled "an act to revise, consolidate and amend the act to incorporate the City of Prescott, and the several acts amendatory thereto."

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Linderman :

No. 91, A.,

A bill for an act to amend chapter 67, of the laws of Wisconsin, for the year 1876, entitled "an act to authorize the taking of fish in the public waters of this state for the purpose of artificial propagation."

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. W. E. Carter :

No. 92, A.,

A bill relating to foreclosure sales, and amendatory of section 2 of chapter 299, of the general laws of 1863.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Arnold :

No. 93, A.,

A bill to suppress disorderly conduct, and to provide a penalty therefor.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Carmichael :

No. 94, A.,

A bill relating to, and amendatory of section 2 of chapter 323, of the general laws of 1876, entitled "an act to authorize the establishment of, and aid in the maintenance of free schools."

To Committee on Education.

By Mr. Knapp :

No. 95, A.,

A bill relating to the form of summons in action for forcible entry and unlawful detainer, and to amend section 3 of chapter 151, of the revised statutes.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Pope :

No. 96, A.,

A bill relating to fire wardens, and amendatory of chapter 27 of the general laws of this state for the year 1874.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Hamilton :

No. 97, A.,

A bill in relation to the paving of Chesnut street, from the Milwaukee river to Fifth street in the second ward of the city of Milwaukee.

To Milwaukee City delegation.

On motion of Mr. W. E. Carter, bill No. 74, A. was recalled from the Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to which it was referred, and was again referred to the Committee on Railroads.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills have examined and find correctly engrossed the following bills :

No. 3, A.

A bill to amend an act to incorporate the Chamber of Commerce of the city of Milwaukee, approved February 29, 1868.

No. 8, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 58 of the laws of 1876, relating to foreign wills.

W. R. HERRON,
Chairman.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By A. J. TURNER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:—I am directed to inform you that the Senate has agreed to the amendment to the title to

Jt. Res. No. 3, S.,

Proposed by the Assembly.

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

The Select Committee to whom was referred the matter of revising the rules and orders of the Assembly, beg leave to report that in their opinion rule 84, Assembly, should be amended, and rule 85, Assembly, should be rescinded, and for that purpose they hereby give notice in conformity to rule 94, Assembly, that at the sitting of the Assembly to-morrow, and under the third order of business, a motion will be made for the adoption of the accompanying resolution. They would also recommend that steps be taken to simplify joint rule number 12, so that the same may be more uniform and in conformity with what seems to be a prevalent custom in the form of entitling bills.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Dated January 23, 1877.

J. B. CASSODAY,
JOS. HAMILTON,
W. E. CARTER,
Committee.

ASSEMBLY BILLS ON THIRD READING.

No. 3, A.,

Was, on motion of Mr. Flanders, re-committed to the Judiciary Committee.

No. 8, A.,

Was read a third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Pope,
The Assembly adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24, 1877.

Assembly met.

The Speaker in the chair.

Prayer by the Rev. E. D. Huntley.

The roll was called and the following members were present:—
Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnson, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Salentine, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker—96.

Absent on leave:—Messrs. Wright, Hubbard, and Johnston—3.

MEMORIALS PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. Kelly:

Mem. No. 21, A.,

Memorial of Morgan L. Martin, praying payment of an award in his favor, (with accompanying documents.)

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Ringle:

Mem. No. 22, A.,

Remonstrance of Lorenzo L. Cramer and 41 others, tax payers and inhabitants of the town of Colby, in Clark county, against the exemption of the Wisconsin Central railroad lands from taxation.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Ringle:

Mem. No. 23, A.,

Remonstrance of Lewis Griffin and 24 others, against the pass-

age of an act exempting the lands of the Wisconsin Central railroad from taxation for five years.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Ringle:

Mem. No. 24, A.,

Remonstrance of John Carroll and twenty-three others, against the passage of an act exempting the lands of the Wisconsin Central railroad from taxation for five years.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Ringle:

Mem. No. 25, A.,

Remonstrance of Carl Marquardt and forty-three others, against the passage of an act exempting the lands of the Wisconsin Central Railroad from taxation for five years.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Brooks:

Mem. No. 26, A.,

Petition of L. Schultz and other citizens of Milwaukee city, relating to the preservation of fish in Lake Michigan.

To Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Ringle:

Mem. No. 27, A.,

Petition of H. Dahlke and others, for a charter to H. C. Fricke to build a dam for a saw mill on Rib river, in Marathon county.

To Committee on Public Improvements.

By Mr. Grover:

M. C. No. 5, A.,

Memorial to congress, for the establishment of a mail route from Barron, the county seat of Barron county, Wis., to the village of Sand Creek, in Dunn county, Wis., via. Mooney's Mill, Sylvan Springs, and Sioux Creek.

To Committee on Federal Relations.

COMMUNICATIONS.

Letter from Edwin Ellis, relating to Indian suffrage.

Was referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By consent, Mr. Spence, chairman of Committee on Privileges and Elections, made the following report:

The Committee on Privileges and Elections do respectfully report to the Assembly, that the testimony in the case of the seat of Mr. Salentine, contested by Mr. Fink, has been digested on the part of both the contestant and contestee, as closely as consistent with the complete understanding of such testimony. They do farther report that in order to arrive at an early and satisfactory determination of the case, it is in their opinion, necessary that the testimony, as digested, be printed for the use of the Committee and members of the Assembly. They therefore recommend that one

hundred and fifty copies of such testimony, as digested, be ordered printed under the directions of this committee.

T. W. SPENCE,
Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Spence, the rules were suspended and the report was considered, and amended by inserting in lieu of the words "one hundred and fifty," the words "two hundred and fifty," so that the recommendation of the committee shall be that 250 copies of the testimony shall be printed.

The recommendation of the committee was then adopted as amended.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. McCollum,

Res. No. 21, A.,

Resolved, That Rule 7 be so amended as to read as follows: No member or officer of the Assembly shall be permitted to read newspapers within the bar of the house while the Assembly is in session, nor shall any person be permitted to smoke in the Assembly room while the Assembly is in session.

Laid over.

By Mr. Dailey,

Res. No. 22, A.,

Resolved, That the attorney general be requested to inform the Assembly,

First, whether a county clerk or a county treasurer has authority, under the existing laws, to let the printing of the "delinquent tax list" or the list of lands sold for taxes to the lowest bidder.

Second, whether it would be constitutional for the Legislature to pass a special act requiring the officers of any one county to let its delinquent tax list printing to the lowest bidder.

Laid over under the rules.

By Mr. Johnson:

Res. No. 23, A.,

Resolved, That the Committee on Federal Relations, to whom were referred,

Jt. Res. No. 10, A.,

Be, and are hereby instructed to report said resolution back to the Assembly, on to-morrow morning.

Mr. Johnson moved that the rules be suspended, and the resolution considered.

Upon which the ayes and nays were ordered, and the roll called with the following result:

Ayes—Messrs. Arnold, Bailey, Black, Blakeslee, Brost, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dailey, Earnest, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Grover, Götze, Hamilton, Hammel, Johnson, Keogh, Kinzie, Knowlton, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Mohr, Neuhauser, Ries,

Ringle, Roche, Salentine, Senn, Scheuber, Stapleton, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Wannemaker, Wedig, Zeiman.—42.

Nays—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, Brooks, Burnett, Cash, W. E. Carter, Dale, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Gray, Greening, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Kast, Kelly, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Rice, Sarnow, Seymour, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Sylvester, Truell, Vance, Walker, Weeks, Wyatt, Mr. Speaker.—53.

Motion to suspend the rules lost.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED.

By Select Committee:

Res. No. 20, A.,

Relating to revision of the rules of the Assembly,

Was adopted, and upon motion of Mr. Johnson, one hundred and fifty copies ordered printed.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By Mr. Brooks:

No. 98, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the Fish Commissioners of the state of Wisconsin a sum of money therein named.

To Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Johnson:

No. 99, A.,

A bill to provide for the establishment of a hospital and school for imbecile, idiotic or feeble-minded children.

To Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Hull:

No. 100, A.,

A bill to amend section 9, of chapter 3, of chapter 184, of the laws of 1874, entitled "an act to revise, consolidate and amend the charter of the city of Milwaukee," approved February 20, 1852, and the several acts amendatory thereof.

To Milwaukee City Delegation.

By Mr. Vincent:

No. 101, A.,

A bill to authorize D. W. Tupper and Geo. W. Tupper and three associates, to improve Tupper's Creek for log driving purposes.

To Committee on Lumber and Manufactures.

By Mr. Hyde :

No. 102, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 117 of the general laws of 1876, entitled "an act to permanently provide for deficiencies in the university fund income."

To Committee on Education.

By Mr. Hyde :

No. 103, A.,

A bill providing for the improvement of the condition of the vagrant, dependent and vicious children of the state.

To Committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. Kast :

No. 104, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of O. B. Stevens, a justice of the peace of the county of Shawano.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Kast :

No. 105, A.,

A bill to create the county of "Wells," and provide for the organization of same.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Van Waters :

No. 106, A.,

A bill to provide for a state board of education, and for a uniformity of text-books, for the use of public schools throughout the state.

To Committee on Education.

By Mr. H. J. Fisk :

No. 107, A.,

A bill regulating the general and special elections, and amendatory of section one of chapter seven of Revised Statutes of Wisconsin.

To Committee on Privileges and Elections.

By Mr. Carmichael :

No. 108, A.,

A bill for an act granting John L. Owen, his associates or assigns, to improve Nail Creek, in Chippewa county, Wisconsin, and to repeal chapter 262 of the laws of 1874, entitled "an act to improve Nail Creek in Chippewa county."

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Kelly :

No. 109, A.,

A bill relating to the invention and encouragement of steam or other mechanical agents on highways, and amendatory of section one of chapter 134 of the laws of 1875, as amended by section one of chapter 182 of the laws of 1876.

To Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Maxwell:

No. 110, A.,

A bill relating to the preservation of game in the state of Wisconsin, and amendatory of section one of chapter 329 of the laws of 1874.

To Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Dorwin:

No. 111, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of Wayne B. Dyer, a justice of peace in the village of Durand, county of Pepin.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Hamilton:

No. 112, A.,

A bill to provide for the purchase of paper required for public printing and blank books, amendatory of section one of chapter 230 of the laws of 1874.

To Committee on Printing.

By Mr. W. E. Carter:

No. 113, A.,

A bill to provide for the trial of actions wherein a circuit judge is disqualified.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Hamilton:

No. 114, A.,

A bill relating to public printing, and amendatory of section 16, of chapter 243, of the laws of 1874.

To Committee on Printing.

By Mr. McCollum:

No. 115, A.,

A bill to authorize A. M. Woodbury to build and maintain a pontoon bridge across the Wisconsin river.

To Committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Flinn:

No. 116, A.,

A bill relating to exchanging bonds in the city of Watertown, and amendatory of section 1, of chapter 72, of the private and local laws of 1870.

To Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Flinn:

No. 117, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 83, of the private and local laws of 1875, relating to the railroad debt of the city of Watertown.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Spence:

No. 118, A.,

A bill relating to town insurance companies.

To Committee on Insurance, Banks and Banking.

By Mr. Weeks:

No. 119, A.,

A bill to repeal section 1, of chapter 266, of the general laws of 1876, relating to cemetery associations and town cemeteries.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Dousman:

No. 120, A.,

A bill relating to the powers and duties of fish commissioners, and amendatory of sections 4 and 7, of chapter 307, of the general laws of 1876.

To Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Burnett:

No. 121, A.,

A bill relating to the distraining of cattle doing damage, and amendatory of section 1, of chapter 51, of the Revised Statutes.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Senn:

No. 122, A.,

A bill to enforce the attendance of children at the public schools.

To Committee on Education.

By Mr. Dixon:

No. 123, A.,

A bill to incorporate the city of New London.

To Waupaca and Outagamie delegations.

By Mr. Ringle:

No. 124, A.,

A bill for the division of the counties of Clark and Marathon, and for the erection of the county of Forest.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Ringle:

No. 125, A.,

A bill to authorize Henry C. Fricke to build a dam across Big Rib River in the county of Marathon.

To Committee on Public Improvements.

By Mr. Goetze:

No. 126, A.,

A bill to amend chap. 179 of the general laws of 1874, entitled "an act to consolidate and codify the various laws of our State relating to excise and the sale of intoxicating liquors."

To Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Carmichael:

No. 127, A.,

A bill to change the time for holding elections in the city of Eau Claire and relating to and amendatory of section 1 of chapter 378, of the Laws of Wisconsin for the year 1876, entitled "an act to amend chapter sixteen, private and local laws of 1872, entitled 'an act to incorporate the city of Eau Claire.'"

On motion of Mr. Carmichael, the rules were suspended and said bill, No. 127, A., was read a third time and passed.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Education have had under consideration the following bill, and report the same back as follows:

No 44, A.,

Relating to legal holidays, and amendatory of chapter 32, of general laws of 1872, without amendment, and recommend its passage.

ELIHU BAILEY,
Chairman.

The Committee on Town and County Organization have had under consideration the following bills:

No. 13, A.,

A bill to establish the school district of the city of Shawano, and to regulate its boundaries, respectfully report the same back to the Assembly and recommend that it do pass. Also,

No. 23, A.,

Relating to town treasurers and defining their duties in certain cases, respectfully report the same back to the Assembly, and recommend that the same be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

H. P. LEAVENS.
Chairman.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

The committee consisting of the Milwaukee Delegation to whom was referred

No. 41, A.,

"A bill to repeal section 9 of chapter 184, of laws of 1874, relating to official newspapers of the city of Milwaukee,"

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend that the same be indefinitely postponed. Also:

No. 51, A.,

"A bill to reduce the rate of interest on bonds hereafter issued by the city of Milwaukee, under section 23, chapter 311, laws of 1876,"

And recommend that the same do pass.

EDWARD KEOGH,
Chairman.

No. 23, A.,

Reported from Committee on Town and County Organization, was, upon motion, re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Phineas Baldwin,
The Assembly adjourned.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 25, 1877.

Assembly met,

The Speaker in the chair.

Prayer by the Rev. E. D. Huntley.

The roll was called and the following members were present :

Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnson, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Salentine, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker.

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Absent on leave—Messrs. Hubbard, Wright and Johnston—3

Absent—Mr. Black—1.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Leave of absence was granted

To Mr. Deland till Friday evening.

To Mr. Shufelt (after morning session) till Monday next at 2

P. M.

To Mr. Vincent till Tuesday morning.

To Messrs. Touhey, Crockett and Tisch till Tuesday evening.

To Messrs. Shepard and Neuhaser, (after morning session,) till Tuesday evening.

To Mr. A. L. Baldwin, (after morning session,) till Monday morning.

To Messrs. Thornton and Pierce, (after morning session,) till Monday evening.

To Mr. Black till Friday morning.

By Mr. Deland.

No. 131. A.

A bill to appropriate money for the purchase of land for a school named.

To Committee on Education.

By Mr. Amos.

No. 132. A.

A bill in relation to the forwarding of documents by a ~~post~~ mail.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Amos.

No. 133. A.

A bill to amend the law relating to the sale of school books.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Amos.

No. 134. A.

A bill to amend the law relating to the sale of school books of the Board of Trustees.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Amos.

No. 135. A.

A bill to amend the law relating to the sale of school books of the Board of Trustees after the expiration of the term.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Amos.

No. 136. A.

A bill in relation to the introduction and successful use of steam and other power in the construction of a canal, and the authority of chapter 14 of the laws of 1876 as amended by chapter 14 of the laws of 1877, in relation to the construction of a canal of the laws of 1876.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Thornton.

No. 137. A.

A bill to amend chapter 245 of the laws of Wisconsin, for the year 1871, in relation to the act relating to hawkers and peddlers, and amendments of chapter 12 of the laws of 1870.

To Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Rogers.

No. 138. A.

A bill for purchasing one thousand copies of a wall map of the State of Wisconsin, and supplying school districts with them at cost price.

To Committee on Education.

By Mr. Rogers.

No. 139. A.

To prevent certain officers and teachers from acting as agents in the sale of school books.

To Committee on Education.

By Mr. Linderman:

No. 141, A.,

To repeal chapter 67 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1876, entitled "an act to authorize the taking of fish in the public waters of the state for the purpose of artificial propagation."

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Lindsay:

No. 142, A.,

To amend chapter 220 of the laws of Wisconsin, approved March 9th, 1876, entitled "an act to improve the south branch of the Eau Claire river and its tributaries, in Clark county."

Committee on Public Improvements.

By Mr. Arnot:

No. 143, A.,

To grant aid to the Portage County Agricultural Society.

To Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Lindsay:

No. 144, A.,

To amend chapter 219 of the laws of Wisconsin, approved March 9th, 1876, entitled "an act to improve the north branch of the Eau Claire river, in the county of Clark."

To Committee on Public Improvements.

By Mr. Greening:

No. 145, A.,

Relating to and amendatory of sections number eight and ten of chapter 344, of the laws of 1876, relating to town insurance companies.

To Committee on Incorporations.

By Mr. Walker,

No. 146, A.,

A bill to provide for an abstract of tax titles in the county of Waushara, and amendatory of chapter 123, private and local laws of 1867.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Carmichael:

No. 147, A.,

A bill relating to, and amendatory of section three, chapter 299, private and local laws of the year 1870, entitled "an act to define certain rights and duties of the Beef Slough manufacturing, booming, log driving and transportation company."

To Committee on Lumber and Manufactures.

By Mr. Johnson:

No. 148, A.,

A bill in relation to insane and idiotic persons, and the disposition of their property.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. W. E. Carter.

No. 149, A.,

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A bill to appropriate to Geo. B. Smith and William F. Vilas, the sum of money therein mentioned.

To Committee on Claims.

By Mr. Daily :

No. 150, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of the supervisors of Star Prairie, St. Croix county.

To Committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Greening,

No. 14, A.,

Was withdrawn from the Committee on Insurance, Banks and Banking to which it was referred, and re-referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

On motion of Mr. Spence,

No. 118, A.,

Was withdrawn from the Committee on Insurance, Banks and Banking, and re-referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on State Affairs have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows :

No. 7, A.,

To repeal chapter 121 of the laws of 1874.

No. 35, A.,

A bill relating to the apportionment of the State into Senate and Assembly districts, and amendatory of chapter 343 of the general laws of 1876, and recommend the passage of the same.

No. 26, A.,

A bill to prevent the killing or disturbing wild pigeon while on their brooding grounds. Report the same back with the amendment and recommend its passage when so amended.

PHINEAS BALDWIN,

Chairman.

The Committee on Medical Societies

Has had under consideration the following bill, and reports the same back as follows :

No. 40, A.,

"In relation to beggars, vagrants and tramps," and recommend that it be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

N. J. FIELD,

Chairman.

The Committee on Judiciary

Have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows :

No. 7, S.,

A bill to regulate the time of holding general and special terms of the circuit court in the sixth judicial circuit.

No. 36, A.,

A bill to enable the county of Jackson, to compromise its bonded indebtedness.

No. 48, A.,

A bill in relation to fees of county judges and to repeal chapter 123 of the laws of 1871, and amendatory of section 2 of chapter 121 of the laws of 1868.

No. 11, A.,

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the town of Kinnickinnic, in St. Croix County.

No. 18, A.,

A bill to amend the city charter of the city of Fond du Lac, and to repeal chapter 474 of the private and local laws of the year 1871 and acts amendatory thereof, with amendments; and recommend the passage of each of said bills when so amended.

No. 16, A.,

A bill to amend section 39 of chapter 117 of the Revised Statutes entitled "of county courts."

No. 33, A.,

A bill for an act to repeal section 1 of chapter 194 of the general laws of 1874, relating to verdicts and exceptions.

No. 34, A.,

A bill for an act entitled an act to amend chapter 20 of the general laws of 1876, relating to judges of courts of record.

And recommend that each of the same be indefinitely postponed.

Jt. Res. No. 2, S.,

Agreeing to an amendment to section 4, article 7, of the constitution of the state of Wisconsin.

With the recommendation that the same be concurred in.

No. 43, A.,

A bill relating to evidence in certain cases, and to provide an executive privy seal.

No. 37, A.,

A bill relating to village cemeteries.

No. 19, A., (with Mem. No. 2, A.,)

A bill to legalize the proceedings of school district No. 1, town of El Paso, Pierce county.

No. 50, A.,

A bill relating to the commencement of actions, and amendatory of section 26 of chapter 138 of the Revised Statutes.

No. 47, A.,

A bill relating to foreclosure of mortgage by advertisement, and amendatory of section 6, of chapter 154, of the Revised Statutes.

Without amendments, and recommend the passage of each of said bills.

CARL C. POPE,
Chairman.

The Committee on Federal Relations have had under consideration the following memorial, and report the same back as follows:

Mem. No. 3, A.,

A memorial to Congress for increased mail facilities in the western portion of Oconto county,

With a substitute, and recommend the passage of the substitute.

W. E. CARTER,

Chairman.

No. 7, S.,

Was on motion of Mr. Pope taken up. Rules suspended and passed.

Also, upon motion of Mr. Keogh,

No. 51, A.,

Was taken from file, rules suspended and passed.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

STATE OF WISCONSIN, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

MADISON, January 25, 1877.

To the Honorable, the Legislature :

Pursuant to the provisions of chapter 292, laws of 1873, I herewith transmit to your honorable body, Major T. B. Brook's geological report on the Pine River Iron district.

HARRISON LUDINGTON,

Governor.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By A. J. TURNER, Chief Clerk thereof:

Mr. Speaker:—I am directed to inform you that the Senate has concurred in

Jt. Res. No. 12, A.,

Requiring the State Board of Centennial Managers to account for monies disbursed for centennial purposes.

On motion of Mr. Merrill,

The Assembly resolved itself into a

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE,

On the General File of bills,

Mr. Hamilton in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman reported as follows:

Mr. SPEAKER:

The Assembly, in Committee of the Whole, has had under consideration the general file of bills, has gone through with the same, and has instructed me to report the following bills to the Assembly for its consideration:

No. 13, A.,

A bill to establish the school district of the city of Shawano and to regulate its boundaries.

Without amendments.

No. 44, A.,

A bill regulating holidays, and amendatory of chapter 32, general laws of 1872.

Without amendments.

No. 41, A.,

A bill to repeal section 9, chapter 184, of the laws of 1874, relating to official newspapers of the City of Milwaukee.

Without amendments.

No. 7, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 121 of the laws of 1874.

With amendments.

No. 26, A.,

A bill to prevent the killing or disturbing of wild pigeon while on their brooding grounds.

With amendment.

No. 35, A.,

A bill relating to the apportionment of the state into Senate and Assembly districts, and amendatory of chapter 343 of the general laws of 1876.

Without amendments.

No. 36, A.,

A bill to enable the county of Jackson to compromise its indebtedness.

With amendment.

No. 11, A.,

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the town of Kinnickinnic in St. Croix county.

With amendment.

No. 48, A.,

A bill in relation to fees of county judges, and to repeal chapter 123, of the laws of 1871, and amendatory of section 2, chapter 121, laws of 1868.

With amendment, reporting progress, and ask leave to sit again.

No. 16, A.,

A bill to amend section 39, of chapter 117, revised statutes, entitled "of county courts."

Without amendment.

No. 33, A.,

A bill to repeal section 1, of chapter 194, of general laws of 1874, relating to verdicts and exceptions.

Without amendment.

No. 34, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 20, of the general laws of 1876, relating to judges of courts of record.

Without amendment.

Jt. Res. No. 2, S.,

Agreeing to an amendment to section 4, article 7, of the constitution of the state of Wisconsin.

Without amendment.

No. 18, A.,

A bill to amend the city charter of the city of Fond du Lac, and to repeal chapter 474, of the private and local laws of 1871, and acts amendatory thereof.

With amendment. Reported progress, and ask leave to sit again.

No. 19, A.,

A bill legalizing the proceedings of school district, No. 1, town of El Paso, Pierce county.

With amendment.

Reported progress and ask leave to sit further.

No. 50, A.,

A bill relating to the commencement of action, and amendatory of section 26, chapter 138, of the Revised Statutes.

Without amendment.

No. 43, A.,

A bill relating to evidence in certain cases, and to provide an executive privy seal.

Without amendment.

No. 37, A.,

A bill relating to village cemeteries.

Without amendment.

No. 47, A.,

A bill relating to foreclosure of mortgage by advertisement, and amendatory of section 6, of chapter 154, of the Revised Statutes.

Without amendment.

M. C., No. 3, A.

A memorial for increased mail facilities in western portion of Oconto county.

With amendment, submitting a substitute.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE CONSIDERED.

No. 13, A.,

Was ordered engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 41, A.,

Was indefinitely postponed.

No. 44, A.,

Was ordered engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 7, A.,

Amendments adopted, and the further consideration of bill was postponed until to-morrow.

No. 26, A.,

Amendments adopted, and ordered engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 35, A.,

Ordered engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 140, A.,

Was, upon motion, ordered by the Assembly not to be printed.

On motion of Mr. Mohr,
The Assembly adjourned.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 26, 1877.

Assembly met.

The Speaker in the chair.

Prayer by the Rev. E. D. Huntley.

The roll was called, and the following members present:

Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Brooks, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Dale, Dailey, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Heron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnson, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Salentine, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Truell, Vance, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker.—84.

Absent on leave:—Messrs. Crockett, Deland, Hubbard, Johnston, Pierce, Shepard, Shufelt, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Vincent, Wright.—12.

Absent:—Messrs. Bock, Brost, Knowlton.—3.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Leave of absence was granted

To Messrs. Bock, Blakeslee, Rice, after morning session, till Tuesday morning.

To Messrs. Brost, Hurlburt, Maxwell, Roche, Senn, Zieman, Brooks, and Leavens, after morning session, till Monday evening.

To Messrs. Truell, Knowlton, and Van Waters, till Tuesday evening.

Mr. Seymour moved that when the Assembly adjourn, it adjourn till Monday at 7:30 P. M.

Lost.

COMMUNICATIONS.

To the Honorable, the Legislature of the State of Wisconsin:

I beg leave to report the amount of pine saw logs scaled in lumber district, No. 7, during the sawing season of 1876 to be:

Forty-one millions, three hundred and twenty-three thousand, two hundred and twenty nine (41,323,229) feet, board measure. All of which has been manufactured into lumber in this district.

The above amount does not include the whole amount of logs cut in the 7th district. During the year several millions feet have been cut and run out, manufactured and scaled in the adjoining district.

There has also been manufactured in this district 9,717,150 lath; 9,533,750 shingles; 326,080 pickets.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. G. CALLAHAN,

Lumber Inspector, District No 7.

EAU CLAIRE, January 24, 1877.

Honorable John B. Cassoday, Speaker of the Assembly:

MY DEAR SIR: I have the pleasure to herewith transmit by you to the legislature the report of the State Board of Centennial Managers, and the board desire me to say that it would have been made at an earlier day in the session, except for some small accounts yet unpaid, which in the aggregate will not exceed one hundred dollars, and some twenty-five dollars or more, freight charges on goods which ought to have been returned free, which has not yet been refunded, but is in process of adjustment. Learning, however, by the journals of the two houses that a request had been made for a report, although no official notice has been received, I am requested to transmit the same at this time, and with a hope expressed by the board that the small matters yet unadjusted will soon be settled and that a final report can be made before your adjournment.

Yours very respectfully,

W. W. FIELD,

Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE STATE BOARD OF CENTENNIAL MANAGERS,

MADISON, January 26, 1877.

To the Honorable, the Legislature of the State of Wisconsin:

In compliance with the provisions of chapter 83 of the general laws of 1876, the State Board of Centennial Managers, herewith submits a detailed report of its financial transactions, including the expenditures under the act of 1875, as reported to the legislature of 1876, Senate journal of 1876, page 29, and giving a full and complete account of the proceedings of the board since its appointment. Accounts, vouchers, records and papers connected with its management may be found in the office of the Secretary of State. A complete and detailed list of exhibits shown at the Exposition, may be found in appendix "A" accompanying this report:

FINANCIAL EXHIBITS.

Receipts:

Appropriation of 1875.....	\$2,000 00
Appropriation of 1876.....	20,000 00
Wisconsin House, Centennial grounds, sold.....	605 00
Furniture sold.....	195 45
Sheep Breeders' Association, refunded.....	38 70
Edward Searing, educational department, refunded.....	67 38
Adolph Meinecke, 2 stoves, sold.....	30 00
E. T. Sweet, minerals, sold.....	25 00
E. T. Sweet, cases, sold.....	80 00
Total.....	23,041 53

Expenditures.

1875.		
April 22.	Moseley & Bros., framing pictures.....	\$7 85
May 4.	E. A. Calkins, expense account.....	23 00
	N. W. Telegraph Co., telegrams.....	1 55
	Chas. H. Clarke, seal.....	6 00
	Eli Stilson, expense account.....	25 75
1876.		
Jany. 18.	Eli Stilson, expense account.....	23 85
	Thad. C. Pound, expense account.....	60 00
	Adolph Meinecke, expense account.....	42 36
	S. G. Lapham, arranging minerals.....	200 00
	Profs. Daniells and Irving, expense account.....	8 40
	W. W. Field, salary as secretary.....	200 00
	Moseley & Bros., stationery.....	9 75
	E. W. Keyes, P. M., postage stamps.....	15 00
	Atwood & Culver, printing.....	48 00
	David Atwood, expense account.....	25 00
	J. B. Parkinson, expense account.....	25 00
	Democrat Co., printing.....	7 00
	J. I. Case, expense account.....	55 44
March 8.	N. W. Telegraph Co., telegrams.....	5 50
	H. H. Bennett, views of Wisconsin scenery.....	24 00
March 18.	Adolph Meinecke, expense account.....	58 25
	David Atwood, expense account.....	85 05
	J. B. Parkinson, expense account.....	85 05
April 8.	N. W. Telegraph Co., telegrams.....	8 90
	D. R. Jones, architect.....	40 00
	J. W. Wood, cereals.....	5 00
	R. S. & N. J. Jacobs, minerals.....	39 38
April 8.	W. W. Field, expense account.....	90 85
April 20.	J. E. Hoyt, photographs of capitol.....	5 00
	American Express Company, express charges.....	8 55
	Democrat Co., printing.....	26 00
	J. B. Parkinson, expense account.....	9 47
	David Atwood, expense account.....	5 00
May 17.	John Bouham, work.....	3 50
	F. Memhard, drayage.....	3 00
	Dr. G. M. Steele, stationery, etc.....	8 50
June 22.	J. B. Parkinson, as per following bills.....	5,988 47
	Watson & Custar, Wisconsin House.....	\$4,429 60
	U. S. Centennial Board, water permit.....	46 00
	Stereoscope.....	35 00
	Morgan & Co., toweling.....	12 00

June 22. *J. B. Parkinson—Continued.*

Lewis & Co., cases.....	\$140 00
D. P. Deitrich, rubber hose.....	19 50
Sellers Manufacturing Co., iron railing.....	45 50
H. Hopkins, wash bowl and pitcher.....	2 25
Willis & Co., furniture.....	17 25
Fogg & Son, bedding.....	35 55
Richardson & Crawford, cartage.....	10 00
Watson & Custar, plumbing.....	84 85
E. T. Sweet, salary, personal expenses, and other itemized accounts.....	298 55
Croft & Co., water cooler, etc.,.....	19 92
Lewis & Bro., cases.....	105 00
Thomas Wilson, mineral platform.....	25 00
Elisha Starr, salary.....	105 00
Elisha Starr, personal expenses.....	45 00
Elisha Starr, express charges and incidentals,	18 65
John F. Hill, traveling and incidental exp's...	61 55
John F. Hill, salary.....	100 00
Wm. Reisinger, landscape gardening.....	225 00
Wm. Shroder, lettering.....	8 25
Pennsylvania R. R. Co., freight.....	64 80
W. W. Field, flag and picture frames for State Capitol.....	34 25
	<u>5,988 47</u>

Adolph Meinecke, covering the following items.....	\$552 41
Elisha Starr, salary.....	50 00
F. Rosenbaum, case of Wisconsin birds.....	50 00
A. Meinecke, personal expenses.....	220 58
A. Meinecke, insurance on state building.....	45 00
S. Rothe, show case.....	10 00
A. Meinecke, freight, cartage, express charges, printing, coal, matting, glass, gas, labor, etc.,.....	176 83
	<u>552 41</u>

David Atwood, as per following items.....	875 12
M. F. Hutchins, furniture for house.....	219 48
Gould & Co., carpets, oil cloth, etc.....	252 20
State of Indiana, glass globes.....	7 18
H. Wilson, paper and paper hanging.....	359 87
R. Wootton, incidental expenses for house.....	36 39
	<u>875 12</u>

U. S. Express, express charges.....	24 06
F. Kuehn, expense account.....	24 96
F. Kuehn, expense account.....	46 78
F. W. Case, services and expenses.....	171 00
Robinson Bros. printing.....	25 75
J. B. Parkinson, expense account.....	239 80
David Atwood, expense account.....	223 82
W. W. Field, expense account.....	116 69
W. W. Field, expense account.....	74 54
W. W. Field, expense account.....	30 21
T. C. Chamberlain, express charges.....	4 20
F. Memhard, cartage.....	1 50
Myron Whitcomb, black walnut.....	25 00

June 22.	R. D. Irving, expense account.....	\$2 55
	N. W. Telegraph Company, telegraphing.....	5 10
	W. J. L. Nicodemus, agricultural map.....	450 00
Aug. 26	Democrat Company, printing.....	23 50
	J. B. Parkinson, expense account.....	80 40
	W. W. Field, expense account.....	126 56
	Eli Stilson, expense account.....	26 00
Sept. 23.	Atwood & Culver, printing 5,000 catalogues.....	900 00
	Siefert & Gugler, 5,000 maps for catalogues.....	100 00
Sept. 27.	David Atwood, as per following bills:.....	2, 102 65
	H. Francisco, carpets and goods for Wisconsin building.....	141 28
	Lehman & Bolton, lithographing.....	70 00
	Watson & Custar, carpenter work.....	18 65
	Earle & Sons, frames.....	45 50
	Cramer & Co., pillows.....	5 00
	Thackara, Buck & Co., gas fixtures.....	35 45
	J. B. Parkinson, towels, rollers and soap for house.....	4 17
	G. W. Metz, brushes and combs.....	5 85
	J. R. Buchanan, crockery.....	7 88
	W. A. Ruhe, painting.....	18 00
	J. B. Lippincott & Co., stationery.....	4 05
	J. F. Hill, salary.....	200 00
	M. F. Hutchins, furniture and bedding...	63 70
	Gould & Co., furniture.....	46 00
	Garrett & Buchanan, paper.....	2 50
	Smith & Campion, show cases.....	208 00
	Photo Plate Printing Co., map.....	25 00
	Graphic Printing Company, illustrations, papers, etc.....	103 50
	E. T. Sweet, salary.....	300 00
	E. Starr, salary.....	150 00
	H. W. Crotzus, engraving and electrotypes	38 50
	S. C. Martin, plumbing and repairing drain pipe.....	21 25
	Gillender & Sons, inverted bottles for cereals.....	88 98
	U. S. Board of Finance, water closet.....	33 06
	C. H. Stiles, concrete walk.....	52 00
	Campbell Press Company, printing.....	13 25
	L. E. Walker, salary.....	125 00
	E. S. Moore, incidentals.....	17 29
	Hall, Keru, & Co, brick.....	21 00
	W. G. Perry, stationery.....	3 28
	Hannah Carpenter, services at Wisconsin House	94 50
	Philadelphia Butcher's Ice Co., ice.....	2 26
	Hannah Carpenter, services at Wisconsin House	95 25
	H. F. Watson, picture frames.....	1 50
	J. B. Lippincott & Co., stationery.....	2 75
	J. M. Kasker, painting.....	50
	David Atwood, sundry itemized expenditures	37 80
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Sept. 27.	Bassett, Arnold & Kimball, paper for Wisconsin House,..	\$108 71
	Edward Searing, as per following items.....	2,000 00
	Atwood & Culver, printing.....	\$616 50
	W. J. Park & Co. binding.....	285 19
	Smith & Campion, book case and carpeting..	322 50
	W. J. L. Nicodemus, educational map.....	450 00
	W. H. Chandler, expense account.....	110 80
	Friends Book Association, printing, letter- ing and incidentals.....	49 25
	American Express Co., express charges.....	59 60
	W. C. Whitford, express account.....	25 00
	Albert Salisbury, express account.....	20 00
	J. C. Harmon, labor and incidentals.....	25 21
	Gould & Co. shades.....	9 00
	J. F. & E. B. Orne, matting.....	17 05
	Earle & Sons, hanging pictures.....	8 90
	Metz & Sons, incidentals.....	1 23
	Mosely Bros. picture frames	5 75
	P. L. Norman, architect.....	5 00
	P. Ersly, pictures,	4 00
	J. L. Nye, pictures.....	10 00
	E. Searing, fr't, exp., and telegraph ch'gs,..	39 63
	E. Searing, expense account,	78 11
	E. Searing, do. do.	89 90
	E. Searing, do. do.	95 80
	E. Searing, do. do.	5 29
	E. Searing, expressage,	2 41
	E. Searing, amount refunded	67 38
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	Paid by Normal Regents.....	403 50
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Sept. 27.	State Sheep Breeders' Association, as per fol- lowing bills:	500 00
	J. N. Crawford, expense account,	5 00
	J. H. Paul, do.	14 00
	P. Humbert, do.	7 65
	G. Lawrence, do.	2 60
	Paul & Lawrence do.	72 90
	S. S. B. Association, freight.....	84 95
	P. Craig, case for wool.....	5 25
	S. S. B. Association, expense account,.....	268 95
	Amount refunded.....	38 70
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		500 00
	State Dairymen's Association, as per follow- ing items:.....	396 00
	M. H. Ganong, stationery.....	10 67
	Jefferson Co. Union, printing.....	14 00
	Chester Hazen, expense acc't and drayage,..	127 00
	Hiram Smith, exp. ac't, cartage and freight,	182 08
	D. W. Curtis, expense account, stationery, and incidentals.....	86 72
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	Paid by Dairy Association.....	24 47
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June 27.	State Horticultural Society as per following items.....	\$400 00
	J. S. Stickney, express charges.....	\$22 20
	J. C. Plumb, expense account, express, freight, and incidentals.....	180 77
	A. G. Tuttle, expense ac't and incident'ls	80 70
	C. H. Greenman, do do	89 40
	J. C. Plumb, freight charges.....	76 98
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		400 00
Sept. 27.	Will Hover, charge of agricultural exhibits.....	100 00
	John F. Hill, eagle bearer.....	50 00
	J. D. Butler, expense ac't, care of pre-historics.....	100 00
	Adolph Meinecke, expense account.....	106 85
Oct. 26.	Eli Stilson, expense account.....	77 00
	F. W. Case, work on catalogue.....	50 00
Nov. 27.	David Atwood, as per following items.....	648 86
	J. T. Hill, salary.....	50 00
	E. F. Sweet, salary.....	60 00
	L. E. Walker, salary.....	40 00
	Gillender & Son, packing glass and p'kgs....	5 50
	Elisha Starr, salary.....	100 00
	W. W. Smith, packing boxes and labor.....	65 00
	E. S. Moore, building house for eagle, and package material.....	80 26
	D. Atwood, expense account, drayage and packing material.....	297 60
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		648 86
	J. T. Hill, eagle bearer.....	141 56
	Atwood & Culver, printing.....	88 00
	Elisha Starr, superintendent's salary.....	500 00
	W. W. Field, sec'y's services and expense ac't.....	127 07
	W. W. Field, sec'y's services and expense ac't.....	81 70
	Adolph Meinecke, freight, express charges, coal stove and coal, and incidentals.....	103 76
	Adolph Meinecke, expense account.....	83 75
	J. B. Parkinson, expense account.....	71 60
	Robert Wootton, services and expense account.....	61 00
	L. E. Walker, charge of agricult'r'l exhibits.....	210 00
	Robinson Bros. & Clarke, printing.....	4 00
	Elisha Starr, as per following bills.....	488 11
	Elisha Starr, salary.....	145 00
	Hannah Carpenter, services at house.....	48 87
	Hannah Carpenter, laundry work.....	145 00
	James Spear & Co., stoves and fixtures....	78 00
	Elisha Starr, freight bills.....	40 18
	Wm. Johnson, incidentals for house.....	18 98
	Philadelphia Butchers Ice Co., ice.....	12 08
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1877		
Jan. 10.	R. S. & N. J. Jacobs, mineral.....	25 00
	W. W. Field, freight bills.....	68 40
	Adolph Meinecke, fr't bills and expense ac't.....	71 98
	D. W. Curtis, Dairymen's Association.....	98 80
	J. I. Case, expense account.....	11 75
	James E. Fisher, rep'y cases and other exhibits.....	55 84

Jan. 21.	Hiram Smith, Dairy Association expense ac't.....	\$90 10
	American Express Co., express charges.....	3 10
	American Express Co., express charges.....	6 45
	E. T. Sweet, as per following bills.....	747 80
	E. T. Sweet, salary.....	\$620 00
	E. T. Sweet, personal expenses, freight, packing boxes and other itemized bills..	127 80
		747 80
Jan. 19.	W. W. Field, salary as secretary	300 00
	James McAllister, expenses educational exhibit, viz:.....	369 50
	West & Co. stationery.....	335 95
	Treyser Bros, printing.....	2 75
	Bray Bros, printing.....	87 75
	H. Neidecken & Co., stationery.....	90 78
	Hoeger & Sons, paper.....	60 88
	H. J. Baumgartner, banner.....	30 00
	Sergeant & Reed, ink.....	53 50
	West & Co., stationery.....	10 90
	W. H. Sherman, photograph.....	100 00
	H. Neidecken & Co., binding.....	82 45
	Poposkey & Van Horn, framing pictures....	76 85
	Hoeger & Sons, binding.....	24 00
	Schmidt & Myer, map.....	12 00
	Hoffman & Bros., trimming for banner.....	4 00
	P. V. Deuster, printing.....	12 50
	Treyser Bros., printing.....	29 00
		1,285 56
	Paid by Milwaukee Common Council.....	700 00
	Paid by Milwaukee School Board	216 06
		916 06
		369 50
	Adolph Meinecke, expense account, freight, cartage and telegrams.....	17 83
		21,819 48
	Balance on hand,.....	\$1,222 05

All articles exhibited have been returned to the state; those belonging to private individuals have been forwarded to them, and the balance are in the hands of the superintendent of public property, subject to such disposition as the legislature shall direct.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. B. PARKINSON, *President.*

ELI STILSON,

ADOLPH MEINECKE,

J. I. CASE,

THAD. C. POUND,

DAVID ATWOOD,

U. S. Com. Ex-officio.

E. D. HOLTON,

Alt. U. S. Com. Ex-officio.

FERDINAND KUEHN,

Treasurer,

W. W. FIELD, *Secretary.*

State Board of Centennial Managers.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Bailey:

Res. No. 24, A.,

Resolved, That the time clerk of the Assembly, if he can be found, be required to remove the present eccentric time indicator of the assembly from its position, and replace it by one more exemplary and stable in its habits.

Lost.

By Mr. Spence:

Res. No. 25, A.,

Resolved, That the use of the Assembly chamber be granted to the committee on Privileges and Elections this afternoon and evening, January 26th, for the purpose of hearing the argument of the counsel in the contested election case of Henry Fink vs. P. Salentine.

Adopted.

By Mr. Hamilton:

Res. No. 26, A.,

Resolved, That the superintendent of public property be and hereby is requested to have the clock in the assembly chamber repaired and put in running order.

Adopted.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED.

By Mr. Truell:

Jt. Res. No. 14, A.,

In relation to bath rooms,
Was indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. Vance,

No. 129, A.,

Was withdrawn from committee composed of the Milwaukee county delegation to which it was referred, and re-referred

To Committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Luchsinger,

Bill No. 99, A.,

Was withdrawn from Committee on State Affairs, to which it was referred, and re-referred

To Committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By Mr. Luchsinger :

No. 151, A.,

A bill relating to the protection of insect-devouring birds, and amendatory of chapter 178, general laws of 1869.

To Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Grover :

No. 152, A.,

A bill to legalize the action of the board of supervisors of the county of Barron, in relation to the salary of district attorney.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Cash :

No. 153, A.,

A bill to reconstruct the ninth judicial circuit, and fix the time of holding the terms thereof, and authorizing the appointment of phonographic reporters therefor.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Stapleton :

No. 154, A.,

A bill relating to the location of toll gates on plank and turn-pike roads.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Flanders :

No. 155, A.

A bill relating to evidence.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Abell :

No. 156, A.,

A bill relating to village charters, and amendatory of section 15, of chapter 152, of the private and local laws of 1867, to amend the charter of the village of Geneva.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Abell :

No. 157, A.,

A bill relating to laying out building lots in villages and cities, and amendatory of chapter 22, of the laws of Wisconsin, of 1876.

To Committee on Incorporations.

By Mr. Zeiman :

No. 158, A.,

A bill for the preservation of fish in the waters of Rock river and Hustisford mill pond, Dodge county.

To Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Newman :

No. 159, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 120, of the general laws of 1866, entitled "an act to prescribe and limit the rate of interest."

To Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Nelson :

No. 160, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 195, of the laws of 1874,

entitled an act to amend sections 1 and 3, of chapter 275, of the private and local laws of 1869, entitled "an act for the preservation of fish in Big Green and Little Green lakes."

To Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Herron:

No. 161, A.,

A bill relating to the exemption of property from execution, and amendatory of sections 23 and 31, of chapter 134, of Revised Statutes.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Spence:

No. 162, A.,

A bill relating to the exemption of earnings of married men and others, and amendatory of chapter 148, laws of 1858.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Field:

No. 163, A.,

A bill to appropriate the sum of one hundred and fifteen thousand dollars to the Northern Hospital for the Insane, for the purposes therein set forth.

To Committee on Penal and Charitable Institutions.

By Mr. Field:

No. 164, A.,

A bill to authorize the city of Racine to appropriate certain moneys.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Flinn:

No. 165, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 237, of the laws of 1875, and to re-enact chapter 233, of the laws of 1865, relating to the city of Watertown.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Ries:

No. 166, A.,

A bill for the better organization of the militia of the the state of Wisconsin.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Burnett:

No. 167, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 137, of the laws of Wisconsin of 1876, relating to executions and proceedings supplemental thereto.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Carmichael:

No. 168, A.,

A bill relating to and amendatory of chapter 16, of the private and local laws for the year 1872, entitled "an act to incorporate the the city of Eau Claire.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Luchsinger:

No. 169, A.,

A bill in relation to the exchange of the laws, documents, and supreme court reports of this state.

To Committee on Judiciary.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on the Judiciary, have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows :

No. 59, A.,

A bill relating to witness fees in courts of record, and amendatory of chapter 146 of general laws of 1869.

Jt. Res. No. 11.,

Proposing an amendment to section 4, article 6, of the constitution of this state.

No. 56, A.,

A bill to authorize the town of Richmond in Shawano county, to issue bonds for the purpose of building a certain bridge.

And recommend that each of said bills be indefinitely postponed.

No. 76, A.,

A bill relating to the office of state, county, town and municipal corporation treasurers.

No. 71, A.,

A bill relating to justices' courts, and amendatory of section 47, of chapter 120, of the revised statutes.

No. 63, A.,

A bill relating to attorneys' fees in justice courts, and amendatory of section 1, of chapter 96, of the laws of 1876.

With amendments, and recommend that each of said bills do pass when so amended.

No. 75, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 27 of the general laws of 1875, entitled "an act to amend chapter 423 of private and local laws of 1871, entitled 'an act to authorize the county clerk of Door county to make and keep an abstract of tax sales, deeds, and redemptions in said county, and to revive said chapter 423.'"

No. 53, A.,

A bill relating to justice courts, and amendatory of section 218, of chapter 120, of revised statutes.

No. 5, S.,

A bill to amend chapter one hundred and twenty-two of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act relating to the city of Portage and codifying, consolidating and amending the act of incorporation, and all acts amendatory thereof."

Without amendment, and recommend that each of the same do pass.

CARL C. POPE,
Chairman.

The Committee on Roads and Bridges have had under consideration the following bill:

No. 29, A.,

A bill for an act to establish and maintain a ferry across lake Pepin and the Mississippi river, from Pepin in the county of Pepin, and report the same back with sundry amendments, and recommend its passage when so amended.

S. J. SEYMOUR,
Chairman.

The Committee on Railroads to whom was referred

No. 25, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 104, of the general laws of the state for the year 1870, entitled "an act to aid the West Wisconsin Railway company."

No. 74, A.,

A bill relating to the taxation of lands of the West Wisconsin Railway company, and amendatory of section 1, of chapter 104, of the laws of the state for the year 1870.

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report both of said bills back with the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

Both bills relate to the same subject, and involve precisely the same considerations, and the committee therefore considered the same together.

The question whether the exemption of the lands of the West Wisconsin Railway company should be revoked, is not a new one. The subject has been carefully examined and reported upon by standing committees of the Assembly each session, for four sessions past, and with a single exception, the committee have uniformly reported that it would be a gross breach of good faith on the part of the state, both to the bondholders and to the company, to repeal the law (chapter 104, laws of 1870) creating the exemption, and each Legislature has by a decisive majority, adopted the same view of the subject.

Your committee adopt and endorse the report of the committee on railroads of the assembly of 1876, upon the subject, as follows:

The law which this bill proposes to repeal, provided that if the West Wisconsin Railway Company would complete its road within two years after the passage of the act, the exemption of the land-grant of the company from taxation, should be extended for ten years.

In 1870, when the act was passed, the road was not half constructed; the company was at that time unable to negotiate its land-grant bonds so as to obtain the money for the construction and equipment of the road, for the reason, among others, that its bonds were brought into competition with the bonds of railroad companies in Minnesota, Iowa and other states, which were se-

cured by mortgage upon land-grants perpetually, or for a long period, exempt from taxation, while remaining unsold by the company, making such bonds obviously preferable to bonds secured by mortgage upon lands shortly to become liable to taxation, as was the case with the lands of the West Wisconsin Company. The bonds could not, under such circumstances, be sold, and the work on the road could not progress.

In order to facilitate the sale of bonds, the legislature enacted chapter 104, (now proposed to be repealed,) extending the exemption for ten years.

The act was published extensively in this country, and in England and Germany, as an inducement to the purchase of the bonds, and your committee have no doubt that it operated as a powerful inducement to capitalists to invest their money in them.

The supreme court of the state say, in the case of the West Wisconsin Railway Company *vs.* Trempealeau county, speaking of the sale of the bonds, after the passage of chapter 104:

"The company proceeded to place in the market its bonds, to raise money for the completion of its road, which said bonds were secured by a mortgage on said lands, and were sold to an amount of several millions of dollars, mainly by reason of the immunity of the land-grant from taxation."

Your committee find, upon examining the Senate and Assembly Journals of that year, that the act now proposed to be repealed was passed with deliberation; that it was referred to and considered by the proper committees in both houses; that the same was passed in the Senate and Assembly upon a call of the ayes and noes, and that the representatives of every county in which the lands are situated voted in favor of its passage.

Your committee regard the act as a pledge solemnly made by the state to capitalists, that if they would invest in these bonds, thereby furnishing the money for the construction of the road, their security (the lands) should be exempt from impairment by taxation for the period named, and that it would be bad faith on the part of the state, now that the money has been invested, to repeal the exemption and repudiate the inducement then held out.

It may have been impolitic to have passed the law in the outset, but it is too late now to honorably consider that question.

The road was constructed within the time prescribed by the act; the invitation of the state to capitalists has been accepted, and now to repeal the act subjects the lands to taxation, and possibly compel the purchasers of the bonds to pay taxes on the lands in order to prevent their main security from being swept away by tax titles, is simply to proclaim that the pledge of Wisconsin is of no force after the exigency which inspires it has passed away.

Your committee is unwilling to lend its sanction to any such doctrine.

A careful examination of the record shows that the law remained on the statute book a sufficient number of years to enable the company to sell its bonds and complete its road before any petition was presented or bill introduced for its repeal. (It was amend-

ed in 1871, so as to except Trempealeau county from its operation.)

The road was built by the company in strict accordance with law. It fulfilled its obligations to the state, and the obligations of the state in the premises, both moral and legal, should be faithfully fulfilled.

Bill No. 74, A., proposes the repeal of the law as to *Buffalo* and *Pepin* counties. The pledge or promise which the state made through the act now proposed to be repealed, was an entirety—it included as much the lands in these counties as in any of the others. *The representatives of these counties in both branches of the legislature voted in favor of the passage of the law.* This is the first attempt that has been made to except them from its operation. *Six years after such a promise was made, by the help of their representatives, and after it had been acted upon by capitalists and by the company,* a request to the legislature to repudiate it, should in the opinion of your committee meet with no favor. To repeal the law entirely, would in our judgment be a breach of faith on the part of the state, and to repeal it *in part* is equally indefensible, unless repudiation can be defended upon the ground that it is only partial, a proposition which to be refuted need only to be stated.

The company has pressed the sale of its lands as rapidly as possible, as is conclusively shown by the fact that since 1872, when its land department was organized, it has sold 207,000 acres, at an average price of \$4.60 per acre, all of which became immediately taxable under the law.

The subject has been so many times acted upon by the legislature, that your committee are led to express the hope it will not be again presented. It seems but justice to the state, and to the company notoriously struggling with the gravest financial embarrassment, that the question should be considered settled, so far as the legislative department is concerned.

W. J. FISK,
D. B. HULBURT,
C. H. PHILLIPS,
L. H. SHEPARD,
EDWIN HYDE,
W. H. H. CASH,
JOSEPH WEDIG,
J. L. R. MCCOLLUM,
WM. VAN WATERS,
Committee.

The Committee on Federal Relations, to whom was referred
Jt. Res. No. 10, A.,

Relating to the presidential election, have had the same under consideration, and a majority of the committee have instructed me to report the same back with a substitute, and recommend the passage of the substitute, as follows:

WHEREAS, It is the duty of all patriotic citizens, especially in times of great national peril, to rise above all considerations of personal ambition and party aggrandizement, and to do what they may be able to promote the peace, happiness and prosperity of the people and to preserve the unity and integrity of the nation, and the free, independent action of the three great co-ordinate branches of the government, and

WHEREAS, The government of these United States is a government of law, republican in spirit, as well as form, founded on universal suffrage, lawfully exercised in the several states under the laws and constitution thereof, and the powers reserved in the constitution of the United States and the general amendments thereto, subject to the powers therein delegated to the general government; that in pursuance of such laws and constitutions and such reserved powers, electors for president and vice president of the United States are said to have been appointed in each of the thirty-eight states of the Union in the manner prescribed by the Legislatures thereof, and hence nothing remains to determine who has a majority of such electoral votes, except to count the votes legally cast by the several electors so appointed, and when so counted it becomes the bounden duty of all good citizens to submit to the result, and

WHEREAS, The refusal of the major part of the democratic party to submit to the election of Lincoln and Hamlin sixteen years ago, under the cry that they had not received a majority of the popular vote in all the states, resulted in four years of bloody war, and the expenditure of ten thousand millions of dollars and sixteen years of bitter debate over questions growing out of the war and its causes, and hence ought to be an experience and lesson sufficient to calm the party passions and party zeal, and to excite the patriotic emotion and the sober thought of the better portion of those who now propose to repeat that most terrible and costly experiment, therefore

Resolved, by the Assembly, the Senate concurring:

1. That in the name, and as the representatives of the people of the State of Wisconsin, we most sincerely deplore the attempt being made, through state, county and mass conventions, and otherwise, to deter members of Congress from a conscientious discharge of duty, and to induce them by threats and intimidations to violate their oaths by sanctioning a false count of the electoral votes, or by assuming to exercise power and jurisdiction not conferred upon them by the constitution, but which is either reserved to the states respectively, or lodged in the Federal courts. This purpose to inaugurate revolution seems to have been boldly announced in the recent so-called "Democratic State Convention," at Milwaukee, wherein they solemnly insisted and declared that Governor Tilden should be peacefully inaugurated President of the United States, "and be vested with all the constitutional power of the executive department of the government from and after the 4th of March next," and wherein they, by "a cunning device to blind the people and subvert their rights," in substance declare that every electoral vote should be thrown out and not counted, unless the present democratic House of Representatives should

give their consent to its being counted, and then after thus declaring that the democratic House of Representatives may, regardless of their oaths, the constitution and the rights of the people, prevent any electoral vote from being counted, if they choose to do so; they boldly further resolved upon revolution, by declaring, in substance, that the democratic House of Representatives are the "sole judges" as to "*when any contingency has arisen that required its separate action, under the constitution, in the election of President, by the House of Representatives,*"—a procedure never before claimed, much less attempted, except when an election failed because there were three or more candidates and no one received a majority of all the electoral votes cast. These propositions of this so-called Democratic State Convention are so absurd, unlawful and monstrous, as to be in direct antagonism with the positions taken by every one of the seven leading democrats who signed what is known as the late "Compromise Report;" and yet they are in harmony and keeping with that system of intimidation and violence practiced in most of the Southern States where the white and black population are nearly equally divided.

2. That in view of the first section of the second article of the constitution of the United States, which declares that "each state shall appoint in such manner as the legislature thereof may direct, a number of electors" for president and vice president "equal to the whole number of senators and representatives, to which the state may be entitled in congress," and in view of the conceded fact that South Carolina, Florida and Louisiana were prior to the last election, each states of the Union entitled to the absolute constitutional right to "appoint the electors to which they were respectively so entitled, in such manner as the legislature thereof" had directed, it follows as a logical conclusion that the manner of making such appointments is left by the constitution of the United States wholly in the discretion of such state legislatures, and hence such appointments cannot be set aside nor reviewed by congress, which has no jurisdiction over the manner of making the same, and yet the alarming and revolutionary doctrine is announced by the judiciary committee of the democratic house of representatives, through one of their number, who is a democratic member from Wisconsin, that the sergeant-at-arms of the House of Representatives should take into custody and bring before the bar of that house four gentlemen constituting the returning board of the sovereign State of Louisiana, created and acting under the laws of that state, because they refused to produce before that committee in Washington, the records and papers in their custody as such board, and hence a part of the archives of the state. This bold attempt at usurpation on the part of a democratic house of representatives, is the more alarming because it indicates a deliberate purpose on the part of the legal talent of the house to set aside and go behind the judgment of the returning board of the State of Louisiana, notwithstanding it was clothed with plenary power and jurisdiction by the laws of that state, and then to assume and take upon themselves the business which devolved upon that board by administering and executing the laws enacted by the legislature of

that state. This attempt at usurpation on the part of the democratic house of representatives to interfere with the officers and records of an independent state can only be properly characterized by the language which Chief Justice Ryan, recently used in the case against the secretary of this state, and which is in our judgment more applicable, when he said: "We regard this matter as a grand attempt to baffle state authority in the administration of state affairs."

3. That the present crisis of the national government is well calculated to excite grave apprehension on the part of all patriotic citizens, and this apprehension is increased and deepened by the unmistakable inference to be drawn from the report of the Conference Committee to the effect that prejudice and passion are so intense among members of Congress, that the committee deem it unwise to attempt to obtain a correct count of the electoral votes cast for the respective candidates of President and Vice-President, in the manner, or substantially in the manner, in which it has been done since the foundation of the government; but, on the contrary, have deemed it wise and prudent to take into their councils and share equally with each of the two houses of Congress the responsibility of counting and determining such electoral votes, five Judges of the Supreme Court, thus creating a new tribunal heretofore unknown in the history of our government, and hence contrary to all precedent, and the expectation of the framers of our Constitution; and while we most sincerely regret the necessity and doubt the expediency of such new tribunal created in the manner and with the powers proposed, yet deferring to the wisdom of those whose opportunity for judging concerning the necessity and expediency of the proposed compromise, and in the same patriotic spirit which seems to have actuated the committee, we accept the same, to prevent what might be a worse calamity, and we do this the more readily because we are satisfied that a clear majority of the votes cast by the duly appointed electors are for Hayes and Wheeler, and that no proposed commission of fair-minded and unprejudiced men can be found who will by any technical or unauthorized construction attempt to defeat the will of the people as expressed in pursuance of the constitution of the country and the laws of the several states; and we hereby counsel calm deliberation on the part of all the people, and the suppression of all rebellious and revolutionary spirit, hoping in any event for the best results, to the end that this government now free, shall be perpetual, its people become wiser, better and more generous, and its influences among the nations of the world widened and strengthened.

4. That we commend to all the modest, statesman-like and disinterested bearing of our distinguished leader, Rutherford B. Hayes, both before the election and since, as comporting with the dignity of the office of Chief Magistrate of a great nation.

W. E. CARTER, *Chairman.*

The report and resolution was, on motion of Mr. Hamilton, ordered printed, and made the special order for Tuesday, January 30, at 11 o'clock a. m.

The Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to whom was referred.

No. 58, A.,

A bill for the limitation of tax certificates owned by counties and municipal corporations, respectfully report the same back to the house with an amendment, and recommend its passage when amended.

D. P. HULL,
Chairman.

The Committee on Lumber and Manufactures have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows:

No. 72, A.,

A bill relating to liens for labor upon logs and timber in Chippewa county, and amendatory of section 1, chapter 372, general laws of 1876,

Without amendment, and recommend its passage.

E. BURNETT,
Chairman.

The Committee on State Affairs have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows:

No. 2, A.,

A bill relating to hawkers and dealers, and amendatory of section 3, of chapter 395 of laws of 1876.

No. 20, A., to amend sections one and three of chapter 395 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1876, an act entitled "an act relating to hawkers and peddlers, and amendatory of chapter 72 of the laws of 1870,"

And recommend that they be indefinitely postponed, and respectfully submit a substitute for Nos. 2 and 20, A., and recommend its adoption.

No. 80, A.,

A bill relating to authorizing the commissioners of school and university lands to loan a portion of the trust funds of the state to the county of Racine, and amendatory of chapter one hundred and seventy (170) of the general laws of 1876.

And recommend its passage.

M. C., No. 2, A.,

Memorial to Congress for the extension of a mail route from the town of Settin, in Marathon county, Wisconsin, to the town of Rib Fall in said county.

M. C., No. 1, A.,

Memorial to Congress for the extension of a mail route from the town of Berlin in Marathon county, Wisconsin, to the town of Hamburg in said county.

And recommend that the memorials be adopted.

Communication of His Excellency the Governor to the Speaker of the Assembly in regard to the "status of Indians and mixed bloods," and recommend that the same be referred to Committee on Judiciary with instructions to report a bill more clearly defining the "status of Indians and mixed bloods" in this State.

PHINEAS BALDWIN,

Chairman.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE CONSIDERED.

No. 36, A.,

Amendments adopted, rules suspended, bill read a third time and passed, by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Brooks, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Dale, Dailey, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnson, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Linderman, Luchsinger, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Newman, Owen, Phillips, Pope, Rics, Rice, Ringle, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Truell, Vance, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wyatt, and Mr. Speaker—75.

Bills Nos. 11, 50, 43, 37, and 47, A., were severally ordered engrossed and read a third time.

Bills Nos. 16, 33, 34, and 7, A., were severally indefinitely postponed.

M. C. No. 3, A.,

The substitute reported by committee was adopted, and ordered engrossed and read a third time.

Jt. Res. No. 2, S.,

Rules suspended, read a third time and concurred in by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Blakeslee, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Dale, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnson, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Linderman, Luchsinger, Marx, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Newman, Owen, Phillips, Pope, Rics, Rice, Ringle, Salentine, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Truell, Vance, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wedig, Weeks, Wyatt, Mr. Speaker.—73.

Nays—Mr. Wannemaker.—1.

Mr. Hamilton moved that the Assembly do adjourn until Monday, January 29th, at 7:30 p. m.

Upon which the ayes and noes were ordered, and the roll was called with the following result :

Ayes—Messrs. Abell, Arnold, Blakeslee, Burnett, Cash, Dailey, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flinn, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Hulburt, Hyde, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Lindsay, Marx, Owen, Phillips, Ries, Rice, Salentine, Sarnow, Senn, Scheuber, Stapleton, Vance, VanWaters, Wall, Wedig, Wyatt—39.

Noes—Messrs. Anderson, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Brooks, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Dale, Dorwin, Flanders, Gray, Greening, Herron, Hull, Johnson, Kast, Knapp, Linderman, Luchsinger, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Newman, Pope, Ringle, Seymour, Spence, Sylvester, Truell, Walker, Wannemaker, Weeks, Mr. Speaker.—38.

Carried.,

And the Assembly stood adjourned.

MONDAY, JANUARY 29, 1877.

7:30 O'CLOCK, P. M.

Assembly met,

The Speaker in the chair.

The roll was called and the following members were present :

Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Grover, Hamilton, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Salentine, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Thornton, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Weeks, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker—84.

Absent on leave—Messrs Blakeslee, Bock, Crockett, Knowlton, Shepard, Tisch, Van Waters.—7.

Absent—Messrs Dorwin, Greening, Goetze, Hammel, McCollum, Pope, Touhey, Wedig.—8.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Leave of absence was granted

To Messrs McCollum, Goetze and Wedig, till Tuesday morning.

To Mr. Greening till Tuesday evening ; To Messrs Dorwin and Hammel till Wednesday morning.

To Mr. Pope, indefinitely.

MEMORIALS PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. Ringle :

Mem. No. 32, A.,

A remonstrance from John Weeks and 28 others against the passage of an act to exempt the lands of the Central Railroad company from taxation.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Ringle :

Mem. No. 33, A.,

Remonstrance of August Kickbush and 37 others, tax payers of Wausau, Marathon county, against the passage of an act to exempt the lands of the Central Railroad company from taxation.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Grover :

Mem. No. 34, A.,

Memorial of county board of supervisors of Barron county asking the legalization of their acts fixing the salary of district attorney.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Bailey :

Mem. No. 35, A.,

Petition of William Smith and 25 others, asking for alteration in the line between towns of Orion and Eagle, in the county of Richland.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. McCollum :

Mem. No. 31, A.,

Petition of James M. Truax, and 86 others, of the town of Orion, Richland county, Wis., for the detaching of certain lands now attached to the town of Eagle, in Richland county, and annexing the same to the town of Orion, in said county.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Arnot :

Mem. No. 37, A.,

Petition of W. V. Fleming, and others, asking for aid to the Portage county agricultural society.

To Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Spence :

Mem. No. 38, A.,

Petition of D. D. Trelevan, C. K. Prior, G. W. Tuck, J. B. Perry, and 152 others, praying for the passage of a law, reducing the time during which earnings of married men and others are exempt from execution.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Vance :

Mem. No. 39, A.,

Petition of Inbusch Brothers, and five hundred others, citizens of Milwaukee, in favor of the passage of a bill, reducing the time for exemption of wages of married men from 60 days to 30 days.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Cash :

Mem. No. 40, A.,

Memorial of James Curtis, and 63 others, of Juneau county, for a law to prevent roving bands of Indians destroying deer out of season in Juneau and adjoining counties.

To Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Ringle :

Mem. No. 41, A.,

Remonstrance of Jacob Paff and 41 others of Marathon county, against the passage of an act exempting the lands of the Wisconsin Central railroad company from taxation.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Ringle :

Mem. No. 42, A.,

A remonstrance from S. T. Cambell and 54 others from the town of Bergen, Marathon county, against the passage of an act exempting the lands of the Wisconsin Central railroad company from taxation.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Ringle :

Mem. No. 43, A.,

Remonstrance of Wm. Rauels and 61 other tax-payers of the town of Mosinee, Marathon county, against an act exempting the lands of the Wisconsin Central railroad company from taxation.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Dailey :

Mem. No. 44, A.,

Petition for a state road between certain points in St. Croix, Pepin and Pierce counties.

To Committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. McCarty :

M. C. No. 6, A.,

To Congress for the re-establishment of a tri-weekly mail route between the village of Sussex, Waukesha county, and Lannin Springs, in the same county and state.

To Committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Linderman :

M. C. No. 7, A.,

To Congress for the establishment of a money order department to the post-office at Carson, Trempealeau county, Wisconsin.

To Committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Pierce :

M. C. No. 8, A.,

To Congress for the establishment of a mail route from Friendship, in the county of Adams, to Liberty Bluff, in the county of Marquette.

To Committee on Federal Relations.

STATE OF WISCONSIN, OFFICE OF STATE LIBRARIAN,
MADISON, January 26, 1877.

Hon. J. B. Cassoday, Speaker of the Assembly :

DEAR SIR:—I have the honor to transmit herewith the report of the trustees of the State Library for the year 1876.

Very respectfully yours,

J. R. BERRYMAN,
State Librarian.

To the Legislature of Wisconsin :

The trustees of the State Library have the honor, in compliance with the requirements of section 5, of chapter 26, Revised Statutes, to submit a catalogue of the books added to the Library by purchase in the year 1876; and beg leave to make a few suggestions in regard to its future, and a brief statement of its condition.

The funds of the Library for 1876, were obtained by three acts of the Legislature; \$500 appropriated by chapter 321, laws of 1864; \$600 appropriated by chapter 134, laws of 1872; \$2,000 appropriated by chapter 281, laws of 1876; making a total of \$3,100. Of this amount \$1,322.29 was expended in paying debts contracted in 1875; which left the sum of \$1,777.71 available for 1876.

Of the three appropriations mentioned, all but the first have expired by limitation. The sum appropriated by chapter 321, laws of 1864, is by far too little to supply the needs of the library. It is important, therefore, that provision be made for supplying its present and future wants. These are numerous, and many of them are pressing. There are many new English and American treatises of great value, which the library needs; besides a large number of late editions of old and standard ones, and numerous volumes of statutes and digests. The lack in these particulars is daily felt by bench and bar; and their convenience, as well as that of the state officers and members of the legislature requires that it be supplied.

What sum it will be necessary to use annually in supplying the wants of the library we cannot accurately estimate. In our judgment it will be wise for the legislature to make an annual appropriation of a liberal amount, on condition that the trustees may use as much thereof as in their judgment may be necessary. While this would enable the library to procure the best legal literature, it would also be economy for the state; because the best time to purchase books, and especially law books, is as soon after they are published as possible.

The present catalogue of the library was made in 1872. Since then a very large number of volumes have been placed upon its shelves. Provision should be made by law, authorizing the printing of a catalogue as often as the necessities of the library may require; and empowering the trustees to employ such assistance as

the librarian may need while preparing the catalogue for publication. The labor of making a correct catalogue of so large a library is great, and requires considerable skill. The expense of the assistance needed in its preparation may be paid out of the library fund.

The reports of the supreme courts, laws and documents of the several states and territories, are sent to this state for the library in exchange for the like publications of this state. There is very great irregularity in their receipt, owing, in part, to the neglect of those to whom they are sent to deliver them to the librarian. It would tend to decrease the delay thus occasioned, and add to the value of the library if the duty of transmitting the publications of this state to the several states and territories, and receiving theirs in return, was transferred from the officer now charged with it to the state librarian.

During the year the series of English, Irish, and Scotch Reports has been kept up; the reports of the American courts which are not received by exchange, have been purchased, and quite an addition has been made to the number of text-books, more particularly in procuring late editions of old and standard works. The addition of a complete set of Upper Canada Reports, numbering one hundred and seven volumes, supplies a long-felt need, and adds greatly to the value of the library.

The regular series of State Reports lack about ten volumes of being complete. The needed volumes are very scarce, and difficult to obtain. They should be procured at the earliest opportunity, and then the library would furnish to those who consult it, a complete record of the adjudications in the courts of last resort in the several states of the Union.

The following statement will show the condition of the library, and the nature of the additions made during the year:

On the 4th of January, 1876, the number of volumes in the library was.....	10,176
On the 31st of December, 1876, the number was.....	11,112
Increase during the year.....	<u>936</u>
 The number purchased was.....	305
Received by exchange.....	423
Returned from Milwaukee.....	208

Of those obtained by purchase, 184 volumes are reports; 60, text-books; 2, statutes; 16, digests; 21, miscellaneous, and 52 legal periodicals.

Of those obtained by exchange, 89 volumes are reports; 79, laws; 253, legislative and executive documents; three, miscellaneous.

The following classification of the books in the library will give a tolerably correct conception of its condition:

State and Territorial Reports.....	2,133 vols.
English, Irish and Scotch Reports.....	1,706 vols.
Elementary works.....	1,014 vols.
Legal periodicals.....	461 vols.
Revised and compiled statutes, indexes, etc.....	351 vols.
Digests of reports and tables of cases.....	241 vols.
U. S. Supreme Court Reports.....	92 vols.
U. S. Circuit and District Court Reports.....	110 vols.
Miscellaneous reports.....	35 vols.
Leading and select cases.....	34 vols.
Miscellaneous reports of trials.....	37 vols.
Upper Canada Reports.....	107 vols.
Session laws.....	1,097 vols.
State documents.....	1,745 vols.
United States documents.....	1,440 vols.
Canada documents.....	151 vols.
Miscellaneous works.....	217 vols.
Cyclopædias and dictionaries.....	141 vols.

The following is a catalogue of the books purchased during the year 1876. The titles are condensed as much as possible; and all the works are of the latest editions published at the time they were procured:

- Abbott's Practice Reports, (new series) vol. 16.
- Addison on Contracts, American edition, vols. 2, 3.
- The same, 7th London edition.
- Alabama Reports, vol. 49.
- American Railroad Reports, vols. 5, 6, 7.
- American Reports, vols. 16, 17, 18.
- American Law Register, vols. 14, 15.
- American Law Review, vol. 10.
- Barbour's Supreme Court Reports, vol. 66.
- Bell's Commentaries on the Law of Scotland, vols. 1, 2.
- Bennett's Fire Insurance Reports, vols. 3, 4.
- Benedict's U. S. District Court Report, vol. 7.
- Best on Evidence, vol. 2.
- Biblical, Theological and Ecclesiastical Cyclopædia, vol. 6.
- Bigelow's Life and Accident Insurance Reports, vol. 4.
- Bigelow's Leading Cases on the Law of Torts.
- Bishop on the Law of Married Women, vol. 2.
- Bissell's U. S. Circuit Court Reports, vols. 5, 6.
- Blackwood's Magazine, vols. 120, 121.
- Bracton de Legibus, folio 1,569.
- British Quarterly Review, vols. 61, 62.
- Blatchford's U. S. District Court Reports, vol. 12.
- Broom's Philosophy of Law.
- Brown's Admiralty Reports, vol. 1.
- Central Law Journal, vol. 3.
- Chicago Legal News, vol. 8.
- Cincinnati Superior Court Reports, vols. 1, 2.
- Chitty on Bills of Exchange, Checks and Bank Notes.

- Chitty on Pleading and Parties to Actions, vols. 1, 2.
Chitty's Blackstone, vols. 1, 2.
Cooley on Taxation.
Curtis' Decisions of the U. S. Supreme Court, 22 vols.
Cox's Criminal Law Cases, vol. 12.
Daly's Common Pleas Reports, vol. 5.
Daniel on Negotiable Instruments, vols. 1, 2.
Desty's Federal Procedure.
Dillon's U. S. Circuit Court Reports, vol. 3.
Edinburgh Quarterly Review, vols. 141, 142.
English Reports—Moak's Notes—vols. 11, 12, 13.
Ewell's Leading Cases on Infancy, Coverture, Idiocy, etc.
Field on the Law of Damages.
Finch's Law.
Foss' Lives of the Judges of England from the time of the Conquest, vols. 1—9.
Green's Criminal Law Reports, vol. 2.
Greenleaf on the Law of Evidence, 13th edition, vol. 1.
Hall's Essay on the Rights of the Crown on the Sea Shore.
Herman's Law of Estoppel.
High on Receivers.
Howard's Practice Reports, vols. 50, 51.
Hilliard on the Law of Taxation.
Irish Common Law Reports, vol. 9.
Irish Equity Reports, vol. 9.
Johnson's U. S. Circuit Court Reports.
Law Journal Reports in the English Courts, 7 vols.
Law Reports, in all the English Courts: Equity Cases, vol. 20; Privy Council Appeals, vol. 6; Queen's Bench, vol. 10; Probate and Divorce, vol. 3; Common Pleas, vol. 10; English and Irish Appeals, vol. 7; Exchequer Cases, vol. 10; Admiralty and Ecclesiastical, vol. 4; Crown Cases Reserved, vol. 2; Chancery Appeal Cases, vol. 10; Chancery Division, vols. 1, 2; Scotch and Divorce Appeal Cases, vol. 2; Statutes, vol. 10; Digest, vols. 1, 2.
Law Times, vols. 60, 61.
Law Times Reports, vols. 32, 33, 34.
Law Magazine and Review, vol. 1.
London Quarterly Review, vols. 138, 139.
McCrary on the Law of Elections.
Mitford and Tylor's Pleadings and Practice in Equity.
New York Statutes at Large, vol. 9.
New York Superior Court Reports, vol. 40.
North Carolina Reports, vol. 70.
North American Review, vols. 120, 121.
Otto's Reports of the U. S. Supreme Court, vols. 91, 92.
Parsons on Contracts, vols. 1, 2, 3.
Philadelphia Reports, vol. 9.
Pomeroy on Remedies and Remedial Rights.
Redfield on the Law of Wills, vols. 1, 2, 3.
Redfield on the Law of Railways, vols. 1, 2.
Robinson's Practice, vol. 7.

- Southern Law Review, vols. 1, 2.
 Schouler's Treatise on Personal Property, vols. 1, 2.
 Storer and Heard on the Law of Criminal Abortions.
 Stephen's Digest of the Law of Evidence.
 Story's Commentaries on the Conflict of Laws.
 Story on the Law of Agency.
 Story's Treatise on Bills of Exchange.
 Story's Commentaries on the Constitution, vols. 1, 2.
 Story on Contracts, vols. 1, 2.
 Story on Promissary Notes.
 Story on Partnership.
 Story on the Law of sales.
 Sugden on Vendors and Purchasers, vols. 1, 2.
 Terms de la Ley.
 Upper Canada Reports, 107 vols.
 Upper Canada Digest, 3 vols.
 United States Digest, new series, vol. 6: first series, vols. 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14.
 United States Court of Claims Reports, vol. 10.
 Van Santvoord's Treatise on the Principles of Pleadings—Moak's edition.
 Wallace's U. S. Supreme Court Reports, vols. 22, 23.
 Weekly Reporter, vols. 23, 24.
 Westminster Review, vols. 103, 104.
 Willard's Equity Jurisprudence—Potter's edition.
 Wright's Table of Wisconsin Cases, 2 copies.
 Wharton on Agency and Agents.
 Washburn on the Law of Real Property, vols. 1, 2, 3.
 Wood's U. S. Circuit and District Court Reports, vol. 2.
 E. G. RYAN,
 O. COLE,
 WM. P. LYON,
 A. SCOTT SLOAN,
Trustees of the State Library.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By W. J. Fisk:

Jt. Res. No. 15, A.,

Asking congress to make an appropriation to construct a light-house at the mouth of the harbor of Menominee.

Read first and second times, and referred to Committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Kelly:

Jt. Res. No. 16, A.,

Resolved by the Assembly, the Senate concurring, That the Joint Committee on Printing, be, and are hereby requested to make immediate inquiry as to the cause of the delay in placing on the desks of the senators and members of the Assembly, printed copies of the bills, resolutions and memorials, which are introduced, of-

ferred and presented from time to time, and to suggest a remedy for such delay, if a feasible one shall be found to exist.

Adopted.

By Mr. Phineas Baldwin:

Res. No. 27, A.,

Resolved, That the use of the Assembly chamber be, and is hereby granted to W. W. Randall for Thursday evening next, for the delivery of a free lecture, entitled "South America."

Lost.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By Mr. W. J. Fisk:

No. 170, A.,

A bill to authorize Duncan & Taylor to maintain a dam upon Silver Creek and tributaries in Taylor and Lincoln counties.

To Committee on Lumber and Manufactures.

By Mr. W. J. Fisk:

No. 171, A.,

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Fort Howard.

To Brown County Delegation.

By Mr. Kast:

No. 172, A.,

A bill to extend the benefits of the public schools, and to promote the fitness of young foreigners for citizenship.

To Committee on Education.

By Mr. B. F. Carter:

No. 173, A.,

A bill to incorporate the city of Chilton.

By unanimous consent the reading and the printing of this bill was dispensed with, and the bill referred

To Committee on Incorporations.

By Mr. Seymour:

No. 174, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 39 of the general laws of 1876 relating to school months.

To Committee on Education.

By Mr. Seymour:

No. 175, A.,

A bill relating to overseers of highways and highway taxes, and the manner of expending said taxes.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Newman:

No. 176, A.,

A bill relating to the fencing of railroads, and constructing farm

crossings and farm cattle guards, and amendatory of sections one and two of chapter 248 of the general laws of 1875.

To Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Lindsay:

No. 177, A.,

A bill to improve the Cunningham Creek, in Clark county, Wisconsin, and to grant to Chauncey Blakeslee and his successors or assigns, certain powers and privileges therein named.

To Committee on Public Improvements.

By Mr. Grover:

No. 178, A.,

A bill to extend the time for the construction of the North Wisconsin Railway, and to waive the forfeiture therein referred to.

To Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Knapp:

No. 179, A.,

A bill relating to the improvement of certain portions of the Embarrass river, and amendatory of chapter 249 of the laws of 1876.

To Committee on Public Improvements.

By Mr. Anderson:

No. 180, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money to the governor for the benefit of the state library, and to repeal chapter 34, general laws of 1864, and sections one and eight of chapter 26, of Revised Statutes.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Baldwin:

No. 181, A.,

A bill to fix the standard of weights and measures in this state.

To Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Ries:

No. 182, A.,

A bill to authorize the construction of a viaduct on Reservoir Avenue, in the 6th ward of the city of Milwaukee.

To Milwaukee County Delegation.

By Mr. Black:

No. 183, A.,

A bill relating to overseers of highways.

To Committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Weeks:

No. 184, A.,

A bill relating to stationery and postage stamps for the officers and employes of the Senate and Assembly.

To Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Hyde:

No. 185, A.,

A bill to fix the compensation of the county judge of Milwaukee

county, and to provide for the appointment of register of probate of the county court of said county, and for other purposes.

To Milwaukee County Delegation.

By Mr. Hull :

No. 186, A.,

A bill relating to the mining of iron ore, etc., and to the assessment for taxation of real property containing iron ore.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Cassoday :

No. 187, A.,

A bill relating to justices of the peace and constables in incorporated villages, and amendatory of section two, chapter 319 of the laws of Wisconsin for 1874, entitled "an act to provide for justices of the peace and constables in incorporated villages.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Cassoday :

No. 188, A.,

A bill to legalize the official acts of Ed. F. Carpenter, as notary public for Rock county.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Hull :

No. 189, A.,

A bill in relation to mortgages, to secure future advances and for other purposes.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Field :

No. 190, A.,

A bill relating to, and amendatory of section 1, chapter 38, laws of 1874, entitled "an act to ascertain annually, the number of acres of the principal farm products of the state."

To Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Bailey :

No. 191, A.,

A bill to amend section 2, of chapter 59, of Revised Statutes, in relation to toll for grinding grain.

To Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Bailey :

No. 192, A.

A bill to appropriate a sum of money therein named, for chaplain service in the legislature of 1877.

To Committee on Legislature Expenses.

By Mr. Cassoday :

No. 193, A.,

A bill relating to prisons and common jails, and amendatory of section 9, of chapter 190, of the Revised Statutes.

To Committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. Cassoday:

No. 194, A.,

A bill relating to the use of tobacco and coffee in state prison, and amendatory of section 98, chapter 115, of the laws of Wisconsin for 1871, entitled "an act to consolidate all acts now in force for the government and management of the state prison," and to amend the same.

To Committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. Cassoday:

No. 195, A.,

A bill relating to the organization of corporations for manufacturing and other purposes, and amendatory of section 12 of chapter 144 of the general laws of 1872.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Cassoday:

No. 196, A.,

A bill to provide for the more careful supervision of our common jails, and for the employment of the prisoners therein on certain conditions.

To Committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. Cassoday:

No. 197, A.,

A bill relating to prisons and common jails, and amendatory of section 12 of chapter 190 of the Revised Statutes of Wisconsin.

To Committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. Cassoday:

No. 198, A.,

A bill relating to village marshals in the village of Whitewater, and amendatory of section 11 of chapter 164 of the private and local laws of Wisconsin for 1858, entitled "an act to incorporate the village of Whitewater," and the several acts amendatory thereof.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Cassoday:

No. 199, A.,

A bill relating to evidence and to permit husbands and wives to testify in cases in which either is a party.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Cassoday:

No. 200, A.,

A bill relating to assessor in the city of Janesville, and amendatory of section one (1), of chapter seven (7), of chapter four hundred and seventy-four (474), of the private and local laws of Wisconsin for 1866, entitled "an act to render the act incorporating the city of Janesville," and the several acts amendatory thereof into one act and amend the same.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Cassoday:

No. 201, A.,

A bill relating to the election of city marshal in the city of

Janesville and amendatory of section 4, of chapter 228, of the private and local laws of 1867, entitled "an act to amend chapter 474 of the private and local laws of 1866," and the several acts amendatory thereto.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Cassoday:

No. 202, A.,

A bill to provide for the support of married women and their minor children, and for the custody of minor children by their mothers in certain cases.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Cassoday :

No. 203, A.,

A bill relating to exemption of mechanics and laborers, and amendatory of chapter 148, of the general laws of Wisconsin for 1858, and chapter 280 of the general laws of 1861, amendatory thereof.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Field :

No. 204, A.,

A bill to prevent incompetent persons from conducting the business of druggists and apothecaries in this state.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Field :

No. 205, A.,

A bill to regulate the practice of medicine in the state.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Cassoday:

No. 206, A.,

A bill relating to attorneys, and amendatory of chapter 189 of the laws of Wisconsin for 1861, entitled "an act relating to the admission of attorneys of courts of records."

To Committee on Judiciary.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Militia have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows :

No. 4, A.,

A bill to revive chapter 112, of the general laws of 1870, and chapter 58, general laws of 1872.

No. 88, A.,

A bill to repeal sections one and two of chapter 360 of the general laws of 1876, relating to the hunting of deer with dogs.

And recommend that they be indefinitely postponed.

Also,

No. 131, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Peter Feagan, a sum of money therein named.

Mem. No. 30, A.,

Memorial of Peter Feagan, praying for payment of his claim for services under commission of the State of Wisconsin, as lieutenant of Co. E, 17th Wisconsin Volunteers,

And recommend that they be referred to the Joint Committee on Claims.

FLORIAN J. RIES,
Chairman.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills have had under consideration the following bills and find them correctly engrossed:

No. 44, A.,

A bill relating to legal holidays, and amendatory of chapter 32, general laws of 1872.

No. 26, A.,

A bill to prevent the killing or disturbing of wild pigeon while on their brooding grounds.

No. 35, A.,

A bill relating to the apportionment of the state into Senate and Assembly districts, and amendatory of chapter 343 of the general laws of 1876.

No. 13, A.,

A bill to establish the school district of the city of Shawano and to regulate its boundaries.

W. R. HERRON,
Chairman.

The Committee on Privileges and Elections, to which was referred the testimony and accompanying documents, relating to the seat in this Assembly now occupied by Peter Salentine as member from the Eighth assembly district of Milwaukee county, claimed by Henry Fink, report:

That after a careful examination of the voluminous testimony in this case, including the original exhibits, the following findings of facts and conclusions are submitted. The committee unanimously find:

1. That at the election held on the 7th day of November last for said seat, eight votes received at the Second precinct of the Eleventh ward of Milwaukee in said district from or in the name of persons not registered upon affidavits purporting to be signed by Christian Zimmer by his mark as householder are illegal for the reason that such signature is not genuine, nor authorized by said Zimmer as appears by his testimony, (see page 19, printed digest), and a scrutiny of the original affidavits in their possession.

2. That nine votes received at such election, from and in the name of persons not registered upon affidavits purporting to be signed by Alexander Hoenig, by his mark, as householder, are illegal for the reason, that such signature is not genuine, and was not authorized by said Alexander Hoenig, as appears by his testimony (see pages 20 and 21, printed digest), and an examination of the original exhibits in their possession.

3. That three votes received at such election from or in the names of persons not registered, upon affidavits purporting to be signed by Math. Schuh, by his mark, as householder, are illegal, for the reason that such signature was not authorized by said Math. Schuh, as appears by his testimony, (see page 25, printed digest), and an examination of the original exhibits in their possession.

4. That eleven votes received at such election, from or in the names of persons not registered, upon affidavits purporting to have been signed by Frank Hett, by his mark as householder, are illegal for the reason that the evidence is very strong that said Frank Hett is a fictitious person, and farther that the testimony of C. J. Hall, the only witness who claimed to know any one of that name, shows that if Frank Hett is not a myth, he is a non-resident, and not a householder of the voting precinct, where such affidavits were used.

5. That seven votes received at such election, from or in the names of persons not registered, upon affidavits purporting to have been signed by Anton Betauzke, Nicholas Hoppe, Wm. Maderu, Joseph Dudek, Mike Woischuaga, Jacob Dettloff, and Julius Malknowski, respectively, as voter, are illegal for the reason that each of signatures appear unquestionably to have been made by C. J. Hall, the notary whose name is attached to such affidavit, and that said C. J. Hall, although a witness in this matter, makes no explanation of such signature by him.

6. That ten votes received at such election, from persons not registered, upon affidavits signed as follows: five by Ferd. Hett, two by August Ruginski, and three by Joseph Heller, each as householder, are illegal, for the reason that no one of said persons was a householder, as appears by the testimony of each of them.

7. That six votes received at such election from persons not registered upon affidavits signed as follows: One by C. J. Hall and three by Math. Schuh, each as householder, are illegal, for the reason that neither said Math. Schuh nor C. J. Hall were residents of the voting precinct where the voter pretended to reside and voted, and the farther reason that the pretended signatures of Math. Schuh are not genuine, all of which appears by the testimony of said Schuh and Hall.

7. That twenty votes received at such election from or in the names of persons not registered, upon affidavits purporting to be signed by various persons as voters, whose numbers on the poll list of the second precinct of the Eleventh ward in said district are respectively, 65, 74, 75, 160, 173, 180, 192, 233, 265, 279, 286, 341, 384, 465, 471, 472, 491, 495, 513 and 525 are illegal, for the reason that the testimony shows that each of them are fictitious

persons, or that they made a false statement of their places of residence, there being no house or building upon their respective lot numbers given, by each of them.

That the total number of illegal votes cast under the foregoing enumeration is 74, all of which are claimed by the contestant as having been cast for Mr. Salentine.

The committee further find that twenty-eight votes were cast by non-registered voters upon affidavits, so called, defective for the reason either that the notary public had failed to find the jurat to the affidavit or either the householder or voter, or in that the voter or householder had not signed the affidavit, but while they are satisfied that there is very grave doubt as to the legality of these votes where such omissions are unexplained, yet, as the objection to such votes is somewhat technical, and the omission probably accidental, they report in favor of the validity of such votes.

The committee further find that although there is considerable testimony to show that a large number of illegal votes were cast upon affidavits purporting to be made by persons who could not, after diligent search through the ward and at the places of residences given, in some instances be found, yet on account of the impossibility of determining with certainty the exact number of this class that are fictitious, they are of opinion that such votes should not be thrown out.

All of the two latter classes of votes are also claimed by the contestant to have been cast for Mr. Salentine.

The committee further find that seventeen votes received at such election from persons not registered, upon affidavits signed as householder, as follows: thirteen by D. G. Burnham, and four by John F. Burnham, are illegal for the reason that neither D. G. nor John F. Burnham was a householder at the time of their making such affidavit.

The committee farther find that there were two straight democratic tickets destroyed at the 1st precinct of the 8th ward by mistake.

The committee farther find that as to all votes of non-registered voters upon affidavits made before H. Boerger, as notary public, and H. Fischer, notary public, claimed by the sitting member as having been cast for Henry Fink, and 120 in number, and upon affidavits made before R. W. Kenney, notary public, claimed by the contestant as having been cast for Peter Salentine, and 125 in number, are all legal. That the fact that the commission of the two first named notaries had expired or that they had never filed the bond required by law; and that R. W. Kenney was a minor on the day of such election, does not effect the validity of the votes sworn in upon affidavits administered by them. That each of them was an officer "de facto," and that the constitutional right of such voters cannot be baffled by any latent official failure or neglect.

The committee, with the exception of Mr. Dailey, find that the seventy-four illegal votes enumerated in classes No. 1 to No. 7, inclusive, hereinbefore mentioned, were cast for Peter Salentine, and

should be deducted from his total vote. That the seventeen illegal votes sworn in upon affidavits of D. G. Burnham and John F. Burnham as householder, were cast for Henry Fink, and should be deducted from Henry Fink's total vote; and that the two democratic votes destroyed as aforesaid should be added to Peter Salentine's total vote.

Mr. Dailey concurs with the balance of the committee as to finding hereinbefore set forth, that ninety-one illegal votes were cast at said election, but is of the opinion that the testimony is not sufficient to show for whom such votes were cast.

The committee therefore submit the following summary of the legal votes cast at said election:

For Henry Fink.....	1,098
For Peter Salentine	1,045
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Fink's majority	48

The committee are therefore of the opinion that Henry Fink was duly elected member of the Assembly from the eighth assembly district of Milwaukee county at the last general election, by a clear majority, and that he is entitled to the seat in this body now occupied by Peter Salentine; and we therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That Henry Fink was duly elected member of assembly from the Eighth assembly district of the county of Milwaukee at the general election held on the 7th day of November last, and that he is entitled to the seat in the Assembly now occupied by Peter Salentine.

Mr. Dailey dissenting, on the ground that the evidence is insufficient to satisfy him as to the person for whom any of said illegal votes were cast, and will hereafter ask leave to file a minority report.

T. W. SPENCE,
Chairman,
JNO. LUCHSINGER,
H. J. FISK,
A. SCHEUBER.

On motion of Mr. Spence the report and resolution were made the special order for Wednesday next at 11 o'clock a. m.

On motion of Mr. Earnest,
The Assembly adjourned.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 30, 1877.

Assembly met,

The Speaker in the chair.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Richards.

The roll was called and the following members were present :

Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Grover, Gøtze, Hamilton, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Salentine, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Thornton, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker.—92.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Greening, Dorwin, Hammel, Crockett, Knowlton, Tisch, Touhey.—7.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Leave was granted to Mr. Scheuber, indefinitely.

MEMORIALS PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. Scheuber :

Mem. No. 45, A.,

Memorial of O. P. Dow and seventy-three others for a uniformity of text books throughout the state.

To Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Truell :

Mem. No. 46, A.,

Petition of F. Winsor and twelve others for an amendment to the statutes exempting property from sale or execution.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Wall:

Mem. No. 47, A.,

Petition of Adolph Musrim and fifty-five others for the privilege of fishing in lakes Winnebago, Butte des Morts, Winneconne and Poygan.

To Winnebago Delegation.

By Mr. B. F. Carter:

Mem. No. 48, A.,

Petition of R. Schlichling and 110 others to incorporate the city of Chilton.

To Committee on Incorporations.

By Mr. Ringle:

Mem. No. 49, A.,

Remonstrance of Henry Sellin and thirty-six others of the town of Hamburg in Marathon county, against the passage of an act exempting the lands of the Wisconsin Central Railroad from taxation.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Ringle:

Mem. No. 50, A.,

Remonstrance of C. Kleinsult and twenty-four others of Marathon county against the exemption of the Wisconsin Central Railroad lands from taxation.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Ringle:

Mem. No. 51, A.,

Remonstrance of George Reinhard and thirty-six others of Marathon county against exemption of the Wisconsin Central Railroad lands from taxation.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Ringle:

Mem. No. 52, A.,

Remonstrance of John Blume and 87 others, of Marathon, in Marathon county, against the passage of an act exempting the lands of the Wisconsin Central Railroad from taxation.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. McCollum:

Mem. No. 53, A.,

Remonstrance of James M. Truax and 82 others, citizens of the town of Orion, Richland county, against detaching any lands from town of Orion and attaching the same to the town of Eagle, in said county.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Cassoday:

Mem. No. 54, A.,

Petition of the judge of the circuit court and bar of Rock county, for the passage of bill No. 206, A.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Cassoday:

Mem. No. 55, A.,

Petition of William A. Lawrence and 112 others, citizens of Janesville, for the passage of bill No. 201, A.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Hamilton:

Mem. No. 56, A.,

Petition of P. Young and 60 others, in favor of the passage of bill No. 154, A, relating to toll gates.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Hamilton:

Mem. No. 57, A.,

Petition of Peter Kief and 166 others, in favor of the passage of bill No. 22, A., to enlarge the limits of the city of Milwaukee.

To Milwaukee County Delegation.

By Mr. Hamilton:

Mem. No. 58, A.,

Petition of Charles Mangold and 180 others, for the passage of bill No. 22, A., to enlarge the corporate limits of the city of Milwaukee.

To Milwaukee County Delegation.

By Mr. Hamilton:

Mem. No. 59, A.,

A petition of H. Neiman and 41 others, in favor of the passage of bill No. 22, A., to enlarge the corporate limits of the city of Milwaukee.

To Milwaukee County Delegation.

By Mr. Hamilton:

Mem. No. 60, A.,

Petition of Charles Brand and others, for the passage of bill No. 22, A., to enlarge and extend the corporate limits of the city of Milwaukee.

To Milwaukee County Delegation.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. McCarty:

Res. No. 27, A.,

Resolved, That the use of the Assembly chamber be and is hereby granted to W. W. Randall, for Friday evening next, for the delivery of a free lecture, entitled, "South America."

Adopted.

By Mr. Keogh:

Jt. Res. No. 17, A.,

Resolved by the Assembly, the Senate concurring: That the use of the Assembly and Senate chambers be granted for the purpose of the Executive reception and ball, on Friday evening, February

9th, and that the superintendent of public property be authorized, and is hereby directed to close the entrances to the capitol building, except the east entrance thereof, to all persons not presenting cards of admission.

Adopted.

By Mr. Luchsinger :

Jt. Res. No. 18, A.,

Resolved, by the Assembly, the Senate concurring: That section two (2), of article three (3), of the constitution of this state, be amended so as to read as follows: No person under guardianship, *non compos mentis*, or insane, or a pauper, shall be qualified to vote at any election, nor shall any person convicted of treason or felony be qualified to vote at any election, unless restored to civil rights.

To Committee on Judiciary.

Reported from Committee on State Affairs :

Jt. Res. No. 19, A.,

Resolved, by the Assembly, the Senate concurring: That the State Board of Centennial Managers, be and they are hereby authorized and requested to appropriate to the Woman's State Centennial Committee out of the unused funds in the hands of said board, one thousand dollars to aid the women to pay their indebtedness, created in the preparation of their exhibit at the centennial exhibition in Philadelphia, in 1876. *Provided*, that the articles embracing their state exhibit are placed at the disposal of the state authorities ;

Resolved, That the women of the state having made a creditable display in the Woman's Pavilion, at Philadelphia are justly entitled to the thanks of this legislature, and they are hereby extended to them as marks of its appreciation of their valuable services in this respect.

Laid over under the rules.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By Mr. Ries :

No. 207, A.,

A bill to authorize the clerks of the circuit and county courts for the county of Milwaukee, to appoint additional deputies.

To Milwaukee County Delegation.

By Mr. Ries:

No. 208, A.,

A bill to prohibit the employment of children under 13 years of age, in factories or other workshops in this state.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Ries:

No. 209, A.,

A bill to repeal 276 of the general laws of 1875, entitled "an act

to fix the fees of the register of deeds of the county of Milwaukee, for the registration of marriages, births and deaths."

To Milwaukee County Delegation.

By Mr. Dousman :

No. 210, A.,

A bill to guard against the abuse of the elective franchise and to preserve the purity of elections, by regulating the appointment of inspectors of elections and requiring a registration of electors in certain cases, and to repeal chapter 445, of the laws of 1864, chapter 296 of the laws of 1865, chapter 126 of the laws of 1866, chapter 134 of the laws of 1871, chapter 232 of the laws of 1875, chapter 302 of the laws of 1876.

To Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Hull:

No. 211, A.,

A bill relating to issues, mode of trial and judgment in civil actions, and to amend section 37 of chapter 132 of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of issues, mode of trial and judgment in civil cases."

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Hull:

No. 212, A.,

A bill relating to the manner of commencing actions and to amend section 7 of chapter 124, of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of the manner of commencing civil actions."

To Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Flanders:

No. 213, A.,

A bill to authorize a record of title to real estate in heirs of real estate.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Anderson:

No. 214, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of Frank Higgins, a justice of the peace, in the county of La Fayette.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Dousman:

No. 215, A.,

A bill to authorize the transfer into the proper offices, of certain documents belonging to the state.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Burnett:

No. 216, A.,

A bill to amend section 6, of chapter 67, general laws of 1871, entitled "an act to protect and encourage the raising of sheep, and discourage the raising of dogs."

To Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Hyde:

No. 217, A.,

A bill relating to the publication of delinquent tax lists.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Hyde:

No. 218, A.,

A bill to amend the constitution of Wisconsin, relating to appointing judges of courts, and to compensation of members of the legislature.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Hyde:

No. 219, A.,

A bill relating to state funds.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Hyde:

No. 220, A.,

A bill relating to legislative manuals and the distribution of public property.

To Committee on Legislative Expenses.

By Mr. Dailey:

No. 221, A.,

A bill to authorize the county treasurers to pay over funds to the town treasurers.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Dailey:

No. 222, A.,

A bill relating to the incorporation of colleges, and amendatory of section 1, of chapter 188 of the general laws of 1872.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Pope:

No. 223, A.,

A bill relating to the partition of real estate, and amendatory of chapter 142 of the Revised Statutes.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Dailey:

No. 224, A.,

A bill in relation to evidence in criminal prosecution.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Spence:

No. 225, A.,

A bill relating to the bringing of actions against the city of Fond du Lac, and to amend section 42 of chapter 102 of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act to amend chapter 59, private and local laws of 1868, entitled 'an act to incorporate the city of Fond du Lac.'"

To Fond du Lac City Delegation.

By Mr. Spence:

No. 226, A.,

A bill in relation to the settlement of estates where the county judge is incapacitated, and to amend section 16, of chapter 117, of the Revised Statutes.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. W. E. Carter:

No. 227, A.,

A bill relating to costs and fees, and amending section 33 of chapter 133 of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of costs and fees."

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Gøtze:

No. 228, A.,

A bill to enable grantees, under foreclosure of mortgage, by virtue of chapter 154 of the Revised Statutes, to obtain possession.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Hamilton:

No. 229, A.,

A bill to prevent fraud by coloring grain.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Vance:

No. 230, A.,

A bill to increase the amount of the official bond of the clerk of the circuit court of Milwaukee county.

To Milwaukee County Delegation.

By Mr. Vance:

No. 231, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 364, of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act in relation to sheriffs' fees."

To Milwaukee County Delegation.

By Mr. Vance:

No. 232, A.,

A bill to authorize the county board of supervisors of Milwaukee county to appropriate to Richard Rooney, late county treasurer, a certain sum of money.

To Milwaukee County Delegation.

On motion of Mr. Hulburt, No. 175, A., was re-called from Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes to which it was referred, and re-referred to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

On motion of W. E. Carter, bill No. 140, A. was withdrawn from the Committee on Judiciary for correction.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on State Affairs have had under consideration the preamble and resolution of the Board of Centennial Managers

adopted Jan. 16, 1877, and report the same back with the recommendation that the accompanying resolution be adopted.

PHINEAS BALDWIN,

Chairman.

The minority of the Committee on Federal Relations having had under consideration Jt. Res. No. 10, A., submit the following report:

WHEREAS, It is the duty of all patriotic citizens, especially in times of great national peril, to rise above all considerations of personal ambition and party aggrandizement, and to do what they may be able to promote the peace, happiness, and prosperity of the people, and to preserve the unity and integrity of the nation, and the free, independent action of each of the three great co-ordinate branches of the government; and

WHEREAS, In flat contradiction of the principles expressed in the preceding preamble, which is a quotation from the majority report of the Committee on Federal Relations, that report, in the most bitterly partisan and malignant manner, for purely selfish and party purposes, mis-states the position of the democratic party, misrepresents the utterances of its leaders and the voice of the people as expressed in different states, and especially in Milwaukee, in mass convention assembled, as has been the custom from the earliest history of our country, when grievances were to be redressed or wrongs averted, by falsely asserting: "This purpose to inaugurate revolution seems to have been boldly announced in the recent so-called democratic state convention at Milwaukee, wherein they solemnly insisted and declared that Governor Tilden should be peacefully inaugurated President of the United States, and be invested with all the constitutional power of the executive department of the government from and after the 4th of March next," and by many equally false assertions in the majority report of the Committee on Federal Relations; therefore be it

Resolved, That the passage, both by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States, of the bill known as the compromise bill, designed for the very purpose of fairly and peacefully solving the vexed questions connected with the last general election of the chief executive of the nation, commends itself to our best judgment, and in our opinion ought to meet the hearty and unanimous approval of the people of the United States; and

Resolved, That the almost unanimous support given by the democrats to the compromise bill, and the bitter hostility to it, manifested almost as unanimously by the republican members of the House of Representatives, are conclusive evidence that if any party in the country has contemplated or desired revolution it has not been the democratic party. Through the manly and statesmanlike co-operation with their political opponents of a few republican members of the United States Senate, in accordance with principles expressed in the first preamble to these resolutions, partizan

attempts of baffled office-holders to stir up strife and create anarchy have been defeated.

Resolved, That we deem it neither wise, patriotic nor courteous to the tribunal to which the final arbitration of all matters connected with the presidential office have been submitted, to express any opinion as to what their decision should be, and we therefore characterize that portion of the majority report of the Committee on Federal Relations, which attempts to prejudge the questions thus submitted, as a gross violation of the rules of good taste ordinarily observed by parties to a dispute, and as in the highest degree disrespectful to the tribunal called upon to decide upon the claims of the different parties to the presidency.

PETER SALENTINE,
S. D. HUBBARD.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By A. J. TURNER, Chief Clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:—I am directed to inform you that the Senate has adopted and asks the concurrence of the Assembly in

Jt. Res. No. 6, S.,

In relation to purchase of additional copies of Legislative Manual.

And has concurred in

No. 8, A.

A bill to amend chapter 58, of the laws of 1876, relating to foreign wills.

No. 8, S.,

A bill relating to court commissioners for Brown county.

No. 10, S.,

A bill relating to the issue of bonds in the county of Brown, for the payment of outstanding indebtedness.

No. 13, S.,

A bill to authorize the appointment of a reporter for Kewaunee county circuit court.

No. 1, S.,

A bill relating to appeals from justices' courts and amendatory of section 216, of chapter 120, of Revised Statutes of Wisconsin.

No. 3, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the state prison a sum of money therein named to reimburse the prison for goods furnished other state institutions, and to pay indebtedness incurred in making new roofs.

No. 27, S.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 64, of the general laws of 1872, entitled "an act to provide for the enforcement of laws in certain cases."

No. 29, S.,

A bill to repeal section 1, of chapter 137 of the laws of Wisconsin of 1876, entitled "an act to amend section 6, of chapter 134 of the

Revised Statutes, entitled 'of executions and proceedings supplementary thereto.'"

And has concurred in the Assembly amendments to

No. 7, S.,

A bill to regulate the time of holding general and special terms of the circuit court in the Sixth Judicial Circuit.

And has concurred in

No. 127, A.,

A bill to change the time for holding elections in the city of Eau Claire and relating to and amendatory of section 1 of chapter 378, of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1876, entitled "an act to amend chapter sixteen, private and local laws of 1872, entitled 'an act to incorporate the city of Eau Claire.'"

And has refused to concur in

Jt. Res. No. 13, A.,

Relating to the revision of the joint rules of the Senate and Assembly.

SENATE MESSAGES CONSIDERED.

Read first and second times and referred.

Nos. 8, 29, 10, 1 and 13,

To Judiciary Committee.

No. 27, S.,

To Committee on Insurance, Banks and Banking.

No. 3, S.,

To Committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

ASSEMBLY BILLS ON THIRD READING.

No. 35, A.,

A bill relating to the apportionment of the state into Senate and Assembly districts, and amendatory of chapter 343, of the general laws of 1876,

No. 26, A.,

A bill to prevent the killing or destroying of wild pigeon while on their brooding grounds.

No. 44, A.,

A bill relating to legal holidays and amendatory of chapter 32, general laws of 1872.

No. 13, A.,

A bill to establish the school district of the city of Shawano and to regulate its boundaries.

Were severally read a third time and passed.

SPECIAL ORDERS.

The special order being

Jt. Res. No. 10, A.,

Mr. Luchsinger moved that the same be now considered.

Mr. Hubbard arose to a point of order, which was, that there had been a minority report made, without objection, and having been so made, under rule 23, the subject matter of such report shall lay over until such report shall be printed and laid upon each member's desk; and until that was done, the joint resolution could not be considered.

The Speaker sustained the point of order as being well taken, and the resolution laid over under the rule.

On motion of Mr. Luchsinger,
The Assembly resolved itself into a

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

On the general file of bills.

Mr. Keogh in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman reported as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: The Assembly, in Committee of the Whole, has had under consideration the general file of bills, has gone through with the same, and has instructed me to report the following bills to the Assembly for its consideration:

No. 48, A.,

A bill in relation to fees of county judges, and to repeal chapter 123 of the laws of 1871, and amendatory of section 2 of chapter 121 of the laws of 1868,

With amendments.

No. 19, A.,

A bill legalizing the proceedings of school district, No. 1, town of El Paso, Pierce county,

Without amendment.

No. 18, A.,

A bill to amend the city charter of the city of Fond du Lac, and to repeal chapter 474, of the private and local laws of 1871, and acts amendatory thereof,

With amendments.

No. 5, S.,

A bill to amend chapter one hundred and twenty-two of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act relating to the city of Portage and codifying, consolidating and amending the act of incorporation, and all acts amendatory thereof."

Without amendments.

No. 53, A.,

A bill relating to justices' courts, and amendatory of section 218, of chapter 120, of Revised Statutes.

Without amendments.

No. 75, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 27 of the general laws of 1875, entitled

"an act to amend chapter 423 of private and local laws of 1871, entitled 'an act to authorize the county clerk of Door county to make and keep an abstract of tax sales, deeds, and redemptions in said county, and to revive said chapter 423.'"

Without amendments.

No. 72, A.,

A bill relating to liens for labor upon logs and timber in Chipewewa county, and amendatory of section 1, chapter 372, of general laws of 1876.

Without amendment.

M. C., No. 1, A.,

Memorial to Congress for the extension of a mail route from the town of Berlin in Marathon county, Wisconsin, to the town of Hamburg in said county.

Without amendment.

M. C., No. 2, A.,

Memorial to Congress for the extension of a mail route from the town of Stettin, in Marathon county, Wisconsin, to the town of Rib Falls in said county.

Without amendment.

No. 80, A.,

A bill relating to authorizing the commissioners of school and university lands to loan a portion of the trust funds of the state to the county of Racine, and amendatory of chapter one hundred and seven (107) of the general laws of 1876.

Without amendment.

No. 63, A.,

A bill relating to attorneys' fees in justice courts, and amendatory of section 1, of chapter 96, of the laws of 1876.

With amendments.

No. 76, A.,

A bill relating to the office of state, county, town and municipal corporation treasurers.

Without amendment.

No. 29, A.,

A bill to establish and maintain a ferry across Lake Pepin and the Mississippi River, from Pepin in the county of Pepin.

With amendment.

No. 58, A.,

A bill for the limitation of tax certificates, owned by counties and municipal corporations.

With amendments.

No. 71, A.,

A bill relating to justices' courts, and amendatory of section 47 of chapter 120 of the Revised Statutes.

With amendments.

No. 56, A.,

A bill to authorize the town of Richmond in Shawano county, to issue bonds for the purpose of building a certain bridge.

Without amendments.

No. 59, A.,

A bill relating to witness fees in courts of record, and amendatory of chapter 146 of general laws of 1869.

Without amendments.

Jt. Res. No. 11, A.,

Proposing an amendment to section 4, article 6, of the constitution of this state.

Without amendments.

No. 74, A.,

A bill relating to the taxation of lands of the West Wisconsin Railway Company, and amendatory of section one, of chapter 104, of the laws of this state for the year 1870.

Without amendments.

No. 25, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 104, of the general laws of the state for the year 1870, entitled "an act to aid the West Wisconsin Railway company."

Without amendments.

No. 2, A.,

A bill relating to hawkers and dealers, and amendatory of section 3, of chapter 395 of laws of 1876.

Substitute adopted, with amendment.

No. 20, A.,

A bill to amend sections one and three of chapter 395 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1876, an act entitled "an act relating to hawkers and peddlers, and amendatory of chapter 72 of the laws of 1870."

Without amendment.

No. 4, A.,

A bill to revive chapter 112, general laws of 1870, and chapter 58, general laws of 1872.

Without amendment.

Jt. Res. No. 6, S.,

In relation to purchase of additional copies of Legislative Manual.

Without amendment.

No. 58, A.,

A bill for the limitation of tax certificates owned by counties and municipal corporations.

With amendments.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE CONSIDERED.

No. 48, A.,

Amendment adopted, ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 58, A.,

Was ordered engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 29, A.,
Amendments adopted, amended, and ordered engrossed and read
a third time.

No. 18, A.,
Was, upon motion of Mr. Spence,
Re-committed to the committee, composed of the Fond du Lac
City Delegation.

On motion of Mr. Hubbard,
The Assembly adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31, 1877.

Assembly met,
The Speaker in the chair.
Prayer by the Rev. C. H. Richards.

The roll was called, and the following members were present:

Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailley, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flynn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelley, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Salentine, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Shepard, Shuffelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker—98.

Absent on leave—Mr. Scheuber—1.

MEMORIALS PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. Cash :

Mem. No. 61, A.,

Memorial of Yates V. Beebe for services as lieutenant of Wisconsin State Militia, commissioned by the governor to enlist a company of artillery for the war of the rebellion, together with verified account and accompanying documents.

To Select Committee composed of Messrs. Cash, Duxtader and McCollum.

By Mr. Johnson :

Mem. No. 62, A.,

Memorial of the board of supervisors of Dane county, for the establishment of an asylum for feeble-minded persons.

To Committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. Crockett :

Mem. No. 63, A.,

Petition of S. A. Pease and others, against the repeal of chapter 137, laws of 1876.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Hammel :

M. C. No. 9, A.,

Memorial to Congress to provide fish-ways to the dams on Fox river.

To Committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Hubbard :

Mem. No. 64, A.,

Ordered spread on the journal at length.

To the Honorable, the Legislature of Wisconsin :

With a reluctance that amounts to great personal embarrassment, the undersigned feels compelled, by circumstances beyond his control, to memorialize your honorable bodies on a subject that involves not only personal rights, but every dollar of pecuniary substance I may hope to possess. I had flattered myself that under no circumstances would I again feel compelled, or even justified in asking relief from the legislative department of the state. I am not unmindful of the annoyance it must be to the various members, and I can speak by the card of sad experience that to myself nothing could be more embarrassing and distasteful, but I will give to the honorable members the general facts in the case, as a complete justification for once more, and finally (as will be seen from the facts referred to,) asking remedial action on the part of the people's representatives.

I will not trouble the legislature with a recital, in extenso, of all the facts in the case, the official documents of the state being replete with full information on the subject—the page and document containing which I will take pleasure in pointing out at any time, when so requested, and will be content in this with a general reference to the leading facts and history of the case, which I pledge myself to sustain fully all the allegations herein set forth, on pain of consenting to abandonment of all claims whatsoever.

In 1860, being denied payment on near \$40,000 of audited warrants, I appealed to the supreme court, in two separate cases—one covering a charge of some \$750 for blanks furnished to the bank comptroller, the payment on which was resisted on the ground that no law existed for ordering the blanks, while the printing law said the printing of the several state departments should be subject to the order of the heads of the departments, [see chapter 114, laws of 1858,] and the balance of the audited warrants were resisted on

the ground that too much had been audited, and this claim was set up because the secretary of state and treasurer failed to construe the provisions of the contract alike. Both cases were argued in the court, and that tribunal decided the smaller amount against me, on the ground that the law did not authorize or require the blanks ordered, but the court in its *dictum* state that where the law provides for printing, "this court cannot determine whether the auditor has audited too much or too little." (I quote from memory, but this is the substance, as will be seen by the records.) As no other item of my work was ever charged by any one as being ordered without authority of law, it was evident to all legal minds that both my cases were absolutely disposed of, so far as the points in issue could be determined.

And yet, after deciding the case for blanks, against me, as above stated, the court adjourned, I believe for three months, making no announcement of a decision in the other case, that had been virtually decided in my favor. Being indebted over \$32,000 at the time, with six months of my contract yet uncompleted, of course I was at the mercy of those who demanded that I should give up the provisions of my contract and enter into a new one, all of which I had resisted prior to the adjournment of the court. The proposition to swap the old for a new contract was at once renewed, and though for a few days resisted, was, by the pressure, threats and clamor of creditors acceded to, as more fully explained and proven in detail in previous communications on the subject, and spread upon the journals of the two houses.

The proposition and acceptance was, that the old contract should be ignored, (having been unanimously endorsed by the legislature) and that I should enter into another, on *quantum meruiet* principles for every item, the prices (*quantum meruiet*) to be agreed upon by two umpire experts, to be mutually chosen, and that I should withdraw my suits, and cancel the warrants already drawn.

Not a voice has ever been heard in any quarter that I did not, on my part scrupulously perform, each and every thing as stipulated in this new contract, all in good faith, but I may safely challenge the world to show that the obligations on the part of the state were performed as stipulated when that contract was agreed to. Had it been fulfilled, as stipulated, though by duress of circumstances forced to its acceptance, I should have been content, but after I had "signed myself out of court," and in good faith canceled the near \$40,000 of warrants, which the *dictum* of the court had virtually decided, (though not announced in the case), could not be disturbed. I utterly failed to receive compensation as stipulated, all of which the official records show.

In 1863 I appealed to the legislature for relief. Party spirit ran high, and the bill proposed, covering a specific agreement, that no one pretended had been fulfilled on the part of the state, was so amended and reduced, that I opposed its passage, and gave notice that I would not accept it. Yet it was passed, at but a moiety of compensation shown to be due. The pressure of the war, and the then precarious state of health of my then co-partner, compelled

a final acceptance of the money tendered, and the signing of a "receipt in full," which was done under protest.

As the war of the rebellion was being waged, and the resources of the people put to their utmost tension, I did not deem it patriotic to press the claim until the danger was over, and the state had an opportunity to strengthen its recuperative forces; but in the mean time the statute of limitations had commenced to run, and I finally appealed to the honor and justice of the legislature to waive the statute, and the "receipt in full," as a mere technical defense. I was finally successful in all this, not without much personal and partisan warfare, however, and I will state, what the records show, that thirteen committees, at different sessions, including the joint committee on claims, and the judiciary committee of both houses—that one house at two different sessions, and that both houses of three successive legislatures—have endorsed the claim as just.

By chapter 323, laws of 1874, (sec. 3) it will be seen that the legislature, with great unanimity, enacted that the statute of limitations should be removed, and that the "receipt in full" should only stand for the amount actually received in 1863, and that the "claim should be settled on its merits," as proposed by Senator Harvey in 1860. In 1875 the legislature enacted that a "suit might be brought thereon to recover the same."

Under the provisions of the act of 1874, three state officers selected an expert to compute the amount of such claim, (whose sworn exhibit by items, and tabulated, is now in the office of the secretary of state) and these the state officers reported as by law required, to the legislature of 1875, (see pp. 116 to 119,—As. j. 1875) showing that there was a large sum due me from the state, after deducting all payments. The items and prices are therein given, as was stipulated on the part of the state.

In a business transaction between citizen and citizen, there is no court in the state that would hesitate on the merits of the case—treating the words of the law as the admission of the individual debtor—to enforce payment.

But the state has met the claim on technical grounds, and has not as yet, answered to the merits in any manner, except to admit on the record, by its answer, that the sum due is as charged.

But now, after having been forced against my interest and my will, to accept the terms of a new, unauthorized contract, the state having had all the benefits of the same, and myself nothing—the state sets up the plea that the contract was illegal and void. Of course the court could do no other thing than to recognize that plea, which I never doubted as technically and legally correct, but the court gave me the right to plead over, under chapter 269 of laws of 1875, to test the value of the original contract. This was done, and the amount limited to the sum reported as due under the illegal and forced contract. The state has met the complaint, not upon its merits, but upon the technical point that though the state waived the statutes, yet it could only affect the illegal, but not the legal contract. The logical effect of this may be summed up in a few words, and is tantamount to saying: "It is admitted

that you have a just claim; the state has had the benefit of your labor and your substance,—you have been unjustly treated—justice ought to prevail—the state has no right to entrap its citizens with a view to take advantage of its own wrong and profit by the avails of labor without a just return—you shall have justice.—We will open the door of the court and acknowledge the state's indebtedness—you may go in—give bonds for all the cost, employ your counsel and present your case. — But, you shall not be allowed to recover. It is enough to acknowledge your claim; its justice and equity, and give you the privilege to file it among the archives of the court, but thus far and no farther." I will not attempt to draw any illustration of my own from this mirror of recorded facts, because in this, it is neither my duty, privilege or intention to misjudge the motives of any individual or department of state authority.

My suit has been argued, and no doubt would have been decided e'er this, had not the illness of the Honorable Chief Justice appealed to legislative honor and humanely to give him leave of absence for three months. I do not believe the court could or would, take the view I have shown above and I have the most unlimited confidence that the full bench would overrule the demurrer set up.

But here comes another question, which is vital, but which I could neither foresee or provide for. It is this: The legislature of 1876, adopted a proposed amendment to article 8 of the constitution, which it is held, if fully adopted, would forever forbid the legislature to settle any claim, however just and meritorious, if not presented within six years after it accrued. That amendment has been adopted by this legislature, I believe, without objection from any quarter, and will be submitted to the people as required by law, and will no doubt be ratified next November.

Now, should the Honorable Chief Justice recover from his physical prostration by overtaxed energies, and should he take the bench, and should no other accident happen, and should the court decide against the technical defense set up, and send the case forward on its merits, it requires no great cunning to see that by dilatory pleas the matter could be prolonged much beyond the time of ratification of said amendment, and though I may now possess the best case ever entered on the docket of a court, I should according to my advices be forever barred from collecting a penny.

This is not, I confess, a very roseate view for me, nor would it comport with the fairness, honor or dignity of a great state, yet to such prospect and vicissitude am I reduced, and I am compelled by all motives of honorable self-interest, to again brave the usual and classic howlings about "steals," to ask the legislature to grant such immediate relief in the premises, as it shall deem just. Being reduced by the fortuitous circumstances detailed, to the necessity suggested, I am in no condition to parley about terms or conditions, but shall take whatever the legislature may think proper to award me, and trust to those physical energies that may remain at my time of life, to carry me over the short bridge we all are passing.

I here copy and fully endorse the language of the Railroad Com-

By Mr. Lindsay:

Mem. No. 68, A.,

Remonstrance of James Hewitt and other citizens of the town of Pine Valley, in Clark county, against the division of Clark county.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Wyatt:

Mem. No. 69, A.,

Petition of Samuel Smith and fifty-eight others for the protection of fish in the Kickapoo river.

To Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Ringle:

Mem. No. 70, A.,

Remonstrance of Henry Wilder and one hundred and fifty-four others against the passage of the act exempting the lands of the Wisconsin Central Railroad.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Ringle:

Mem. No. 71, A.,

Remonstrance of S. M. Hutchinson and 27 others against the passage of an act exempting the lands of the Wisconsin Central Railroad from taxation.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Ringle:

Mem. No. 72, A.,

Remonstrance of Edward Carpenter and twenty-five others, against the passage of an act exempting the lands of the Wisconsin Central Railroad from taxation.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Ringle:

Mem. No. 73, A.,

Memorial of the county board of supervisors of Marathon county, Wis., against the passage of an act exempting the lands of the Wisconsin Central Railroad from taxation.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

To the Honorable, the Senate and Assembly of the State of Wisconsin:

The board of supervisors of the county of Marathon, being advised that there are now pending before your honorable bodies two bills, having for their object the exemption from all taxes and assessments whatever, all the lands of the Wisconsin Central Railroad Company, have remonstrated against, and do hereby remonstrate against, and most strenuously object to the passage of said bills, or either of them, for the reason, and upon the following grounds, viz:

The passage of such a measure will do a great injustice to those owners of lands who have purchased, and paid taxes, and improved their lands, intermingled with the lands sought to be exempted, for, the location of their lands, and the payment of such taxes, and the improvements already made, have enhanced the value of all lands in the vicinity in proportion to the extent that

the country has been opened up and settled. And the attention of your honorable bodies is called to the fact that the opening up of a new part of the country, and the necessary expenses of constructing roads and bridges, is unavoidably attended with the levy of a greater amount of taxes than elsewhere and after all such improvements are made. And it is most respectfully submitted that a portion at least of such burdens should now be borne by the lands that have already been exempted therefrom for a term of years. And the measure proposed by these bills becomes a most astounding piece of selfishness, when the owners of the exempted lands immediately add an additional sum per acre in the market and even withhold from market choice selections, until the full benefit of improvements are made, while they are exempt. The attention of your honorable bodies is also called to the intended delusion contained in the bills referred to, wherein the proposed exemption is placed upon the alleged consideration of the completion of the line of railroad of said company.

This is no new consideration, hence no consideration at all, because the road must be completed before the lands themselves are earned. Under the congressional grant, the company took their contract to complete the road with as full knowledge of all the circumstances of the subject as the people of this state had or could have had. If the enterprise has not proved as remunerative, under the panic-stricken business interests of the whole country, as was anticipated by the company at first, it is not the fault of the people of this state. *Indeed*, are not individual interests suffering to a like extent? In no case are lands subject to assessment and taxation until patented, and the title thus passes from the United States, so that these lands adjacent to the unfinished portion of the road will not be taxed and cannot be taxed until after the road is completed, in any event, because such lands cannot be patented until the road is completed. Moreover, it is a confessed fact that the company has not and will not call for patents on certain sections of the road until ready to put the same upon the market. But it is respectfully represented that the taxes now burdensome upon actual settlers will not be burdensome to any interests when extended upon the whole extent of territory; and the company can better afford to pay its share of taxes than to crush out actual settlers by unjust discriminating measures. It is further represented that it has been the practice of said company in the sale of its lands to reserve the valuable timber thereon for a term of years, which is a matter of no concern except to the parties contracting, *in the absence of any exemption*; but in the event of the proposed exemption being granted, it will enable the company to strip off the timber during the term of exemption; and thus deprive the state of an immense volume of taxable property by running it out of the limits of the state. The whole scheme is wanting in any element of justice or law, and we doubt the jurisdiction of your honorable bodies to consummate the act of the passage of such a measure, feeling confident, however, in your wisdom and your honorable treatment of the subject.

Your attention is further called to the fact that the expired exemption was granted upon the principle that the lands in question had never been subject to taxation, and the grant was acquired upon the condition that the lands should not be taxable until the expiration of ten years, but the case can not now be planted upon those grounds. Moreover, these lands have become taxable for the year 1876, and were so taxed, so that if the original exemption is extended as proposed, and such taxes are invalidated, (if that could be held to be the effect of the measure,) it would create a deficiency equal to the whole amount levied upon such lands, and thus very much hinder the local authorities in the administration of their duties, besides doing the people in those localities a great injustice.

Trusting that the proposed measure will not prevail, the undersigned will ever pray.

Adopted by a unanimous vote of the board of supervisors of Marathon county, this 25th day of January, A. D. 1877.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of said county.

JOHN RINGLE,
County Clerk.
D. L. PLUMER,
Chairman.

JACOB PAFF,
ALOIS STARK,
JOHN LAY,
A. W. SCHMIDT,
N. P. PETERSON,
JOHN SCHNEIDER,
C. KLEINSCHMIDT,
J. G. SMITH,

MICHAEL BAUMANN,
CHAS. P. KASSETTINE,
FRIED. SCHUBRING,
CHAS. A. S. M'GEE,
C. MARQUARDT,
JOHN MEEK,
JOSEPH DESSERT,
WM. SCWAB,

Members of Board of Supervisors, Marathon County.

By Mr. Thornton:

Mem. No. 74, A.,

Memorial of Judge Reed, against the exemption of the lands of the Wisconsin Central Railroad from taxation.

To Committee on Judiciary.

COMMUNICATIONS.

OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL,
MADISON, January 31, 1877.

Hon. J. B. Cassoday, Speaker:

DEAR SIR:—I have the honor to transmit herewith, reply to Resolution No. 22, A.

Very respectfully,

A. SCOTT SLOAN,
Attorney General.

To the Honorable, the Assembly of the State of Wisconsin:

I have this day received copy of resolution No. 22 A, requesting the attorney general to inform the Assembly.

First. Whether a county clerk or county treasurer has authority under existing laws, to let the printing of the "delinquent tax list," or the list of lands sold for taxes, to the lowest bidder?

Second. Whether it would be constitutional for the legislature to pass a special act, requiring the officers of any one county to let its delinquent tax list printing to the lowest bidder?

And have the honor to submit the following reply:

The existing law provides that there shall be allowed to the printer who shall publish any notice of sale of lands for taxes, for each lot or tract twenty-five cents, and for publishing notice of the time when redemption of lands sold for taxes will expire, for each lot or tract thirty cents.

Other provision is made that when the list of lands to be advertised by the county treasurer shall exceed 4,000 descriptions, and when the number of descriptions shall exceed 2,500 in the list to be advertised by the county clerk, such officers shall let the publication of such lists to the lowest bidder, etc.

In the cases provided for, the officer has the power, and it is his duty, to let the publication to the lowest bidder, in pursuance of the terms of the statute. The law, in my opinion, is a valid one, but I do not think that in cases where the lists do not exceed 4,000 and 2,500 respectively, that the officer has the power to let to the lowest bidder; in the latter case the fee of the printer is specifically fixed by law, and no authority is given for contracting for a lower fee. The law giving power to let to the lowest bidder in the one case, raises a strong implication that the legislature did not intend to have the contract let in any other case.

As to the 2d question:

The constitution provides that the rule of taxation shall be uniform, and by the amendment of 1871 the legislature is prohibited from enacting any special law "for assessment or collection of taxes."

The advertising of the list is a step in the collection of taxes, and a necessary part of the process; special legislation is forbidden, and I am of opinion that a law requiring the officers of any one county to let the printing of its delinquent tax list to the lowest bidder would be unconstitutional.

Very respectfully,

A. SCOTT SLOAN,
Attorney General.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Kelley:

Jt. Res. No. 20, A.,

Relating to an amendment to the constitution of the United States.

To Committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Hubbard:

Jt. Res. No. 21, A.,

Thanking United States Senator Howe for his vote on the Compromise measure.

To Committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Dousman:

Jt. Res. No. 22, A.,

Relating to the printing and stereotyping of the state geological report.

To Committee on Printing.

By Mr. Wall:

Res. No. 28, A.,

Relative to semi-annual collection of taxes.

Lost.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 6, S.,

In relation to purchase of additional copies of Legislative Manual.

Concurred in.

Jt. Res. No. 10, A.,

On motion of Mr. W. E. Carter was made the special order for February 1st, at 11 A. M.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By Mr. Keogh:

No. 233, A.,

A bill to authorize the city of Milwaukee to enlarge the First ward hay market, and to levy a special tax therefor in said ward.

To Milwaukee County Delegation.

By Mr. Keogh:

No. 234, A.,

A bill to enlarge and extend the corporate limits of the city of Milwaukee.

To Milwaukee County Delegation.

By Mr. Keogh:

No. 235, A.,

A bill to provide for the payment by the city of Milwaukee to the county of Milwaukee, for the maintenance of prisoners confined in the house of correction of said county, for the violation of the ordinances of said city of Milwaukee.

To Milwaukee County Delegation.

By Mr. Keogh:

No. 236, A.,

A bill to protect contractors, sub-contractors, and laborers, in

their claims against railroads, companies and corporations, contractors and sub-contractors.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Phineas Baldwin :

No. 237, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money therein named.

To Committee on Claims.

By Mr. Keogh :

No 238, A.,

A bill in relation to the improvement of a certain highway or avenue running north and south on a line between the Eighth and Eleventh wards of the city of Milwaukee, and of the towns of Wauwatosa and Greenfield, in the county of Milwaukee.

To Milwaukee County Delegation.

By Mr. Touhey :

No. 239, A.,

A bill relating to town insurance companies, and amendatory of section 10, chapter 344, of laws of 1876, and being an act entitled "an act to codify and consolidate all laws in relation to town insurance companies."

To Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Mitchell :

No. 240, A.,

A bill to prohibit the holding of elections in buildings wherein spirituous liquors are sold at retail.

To Committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. Cash :

No. 241, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Yates V. Beebe, a sum of money.

To select committee, composed of Messrs. Cash, Duxtader and McCollum.

By Mr. Cash :

No. 242, A.,

A bill to divide the county of Juneau, and create the county of Mitchell.

To Committee on Town and County Organizations.

By Mr. Stapleton :

No. 243, A.,

A bill to provide for the establishing of two election precincts in the town of Milwaukee, in the County of Milwaukee.

To Milwaukee County Delegation.

By Mr. Stapleton :

No. 244, A.,

A bill in relation to toll gates on the Madison, Watertown and Milwaukee plank road, and amendatory of chapter 7, of the private and local laws of 1862.

To Milwaukee County Delegation.

By Mr. Hubbard:

No. 245, A.,

A bill to provide for settling the award in favor of S. D. Carpenter, made under the provisions of chapter 323, general laws of 1874, and submitted to the legislature of 1875, by the secretary of state, state treasurer and attorney general, as printing commissioners.

To Committee on Claims.

By Mr. Ries:

No. 246, A.,

A bill to amend section 2, of chapter 47, of general laws of 1871, entitled "an act to amend chapter 107, of the private and local laws of 1867, entitled "an act to authorize the appointment of a phonographic reporter for the circuit courts of the counties of Milwaukee and Kenosha."

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Flanders:

No. 247, A.,

A bill relating to justices of the peace and constables in the city of Milwaukee, and to repeal chapter 191, of the general laws of 1876.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Flanders:

No. 248, A.,

A bill for an act to amend chapter 145, of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of actions for the foreclosure of a mortgage."

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Johnston:

No. 249, A.,

A bill relating to the board of equalization of the city of Manitowoc, and amendatory of section 4, chapter 275, private and local laws of 1870, entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Manitowoc."

To Manitowoc County Delegation.

By Mr. Johnston:

No. 250, A.,

A bill relating to drainage in the city of Manitowoc, and amendatory of section 7, of chapter 228, of the laws of Wisconsin, for 1875.

To Manitowoc County Delegation.

By Mr. W. F. Carter:

No. 251, I.

A bill relating to the registering of the names of persons who have heretofore or may hereinafter declare their intentions to become citizens, or who have been, or may hereinafter be admitted to become citizens of the United States of America, and amendatory of chapter 60, laws of 1866.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. W. E. Carter:

No. 252, A.,

A bill to levy a state tax for the better support of public schools, and to provide for the distribution thereof.

To Committee on Education.

By Mr. W. E. Carter:

No. 253, A.,

Bill relating to costs and fees, and amendatory of section 104, chapter 103, Revised Statutes, and the several acts amendatory thereof.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. W. E. Carter:

No. 254, A.,

A bill to encourage the draining of lead-bearing mineral lands.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. W. E. Carter:

No. 255, A.,

A bill relating to actions and proceedings by non-resident guardians, and amendatory of section one, chapter 73, general laws of 1871.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Carmichael:

No. 256, A.,

A bill to discontinue a state road from Chippewa Falls, in Chippewa county, to Augusta, in the town of Bridge Creek, in Eau Claire county.

To Committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Carmichael:

No. 257, A.,

A bill relating to and amendatory of chapter 495 of the private and local laws of 1871, entitled "an act to incorporate the village of Augusta."

To Committee on Incorporations.

By Mr. Greening:

No. 258, A.,

A bill to authorize the trustees of Little Prairie Cemetery Association, in the county of Walworth, to remove and re-inter a portion of the remains buried therein.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Greening:

No. 259, A.,

A bill to legalize the action of the East Troy Town Insurance Company, of Walworth county.

To Committee on Incorporations.

By Mr. Shepard:

No. 260, A.,

A bill relating to the construction of drains in certain cases, and amendatory of section 1, chapter 141 of general laws of 1873.

To Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Kast:

No. 261, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 278, laws of 1874, entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Shawano."

To Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Field:

No. 262, A.,

A bill to authorize the city of Racine to levy a special tax.
To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Field:

No 263, A.,

A bill relating to and amendatory of chapter 313 of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act to revise, consolidate and amend the charter of the city of Racine," approved August 8, 1848, and the several acts amendatory thereof.

To Committee on Incorporations.

By Mr. Lindsay:

No. 264, A.,

A bill to constitute the clerk of the circuit court of Clark county, Wisconsin, clerk of the county court of said county in probate and all other proceedings therein.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Lindsay:

No. 265, A.,

A bill to authorize James Hewitt to maintain a dam across Wedge's creek, in Clark county, Wisconsin.

To Committee on Public Improvements.

By Mr. Lindsay:

No. 266, A.,

A bill to lay out and establish a state road in the county of Clark.

To Committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Kast:

No. 267, A.,

A bill to prevent excessive taxation by towns, villages or cities.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Rice:

No. 268, A.,

A bill to amend section 8, of chapter 345 of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act to codify and consolidate the laws relating to pay and mileage of members, pay of employes, and providing for newspapers, postage stamps, stationery, and opening of legislature.

To Committee on Legislative Expenditures.

By Mr. Hull:

No. 269, A.,

A bill to amend section 32, of chapter 130, of the general laws of 1868, entitled "an act to provide for the assessment of property for taxation, and the levy of taxes thereon."

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. McCollum:

No. 270, A.,

A bill to provide for laying out and establishing a state road

from Richland Center, in Richland county, Wisconsin, to Hillsboro, in Vernon county, Wisconsin.

To Committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. McCarty:

No. 271, A.,

A bill for the preservation of fish in Waukesha county.

To Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. McCarty:

No. 272, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 59, of the laws of 1875, entitled an "act to incorporate the city of Oconomowoc."

To Committee on Incorporations.

By Mr. Hull:

No. 273, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 253, of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act to provide for the support of the poor of Milwaukee county."

To Milwaukee County Delegation.

By Mr. Hull:

No. 274, A.,

A bill to authorize the county board of supervisors of Milwaukee county to levy a special tax for the payment of county bonds which become due in 1880.

To Milwaukee County Delegation.

By Mr. Hull:

No. 275, A.,

A bill to create a board of park commissioners for the east side of the city of Milwaukee.

To Milwaukee County Delegation.

By Mr. Bailey:

No. 276, A.,

A bill to provide for the purchase of 250 copies of Webster's Unabridged Dictionary.

To Committee on Claims.

By Mr. Thornton:

No. 277, A.,

A bill to provide for the completion of the Wisconsin Central Railroad, between Ashland and Superior City.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Thornton:

No. 278, A.,

A bill relating to swamp and overflowed lands, in the counties of Manitowoc and Calumet, and amendatory of chapter 341 of the private and local laws of 1867, and chapter 201 of laws of 1873, and chapter 537, of laws of 1865, and chapter 327 of laws of 1874, for draining and other purposes.

To select committee, composed of Manitowoc and Calumet County Delegations.

By Mr. Hammel :

No. 279, A.,

A bill to amend an act entitled "an act to codify, consolidate and amend the act to incorporate the city of Appleton, and the several acts amendatory thereof."

To Committee on Incorporations.

By Mr. Vance :

No. 208, A.,

A bill relating to the votes of stock and bond-holders of railroad corporations, and repealing the section 2 of chapter 335 of laws of 1869.

To Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Vance :

No. 281, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 119 of the general laws of 1872.

To Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Vance :

No. 282, A.,

A bill to incorporate the Milwaukee Base Ball Club.

To Committee on Incorporations.

By Mr. Vance :

No. 283, A.,

A bill to abolish monopolies.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Vance :

No. 284, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 64, of the general laws of 1872, entitled "an act to provide for the enforcement of laws in certain cases."

To Committee on Insurance, Banks and Banking.

By Mr. Vance :

No. 285, A.,

A bill to amend section one of chapter 299 of the laws of 1873, entitled "an act to amend chapter 56, general laws of 1870, entitled 'an act to provide for the incorporation and government of fire and inland navigation insurance companies.'"

To Committee on Insurance, Banks and Banking.

By Mr. Vance :

No. 286, A.,

A bill relating to the capital of fire and life insurance companies of other states, and of foreign governments, desiring to transact business in this state.

To Committee on Insurance, Banks and Banking.

By Mr. Merrill:

No. 287, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 144 of the general laws of 1872.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Zeiman :

No. 288, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 26 of the general laws of 1871, entitled "an act to amend section 27, chapter 15 of the Revised Statutes."

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Flinn :

No. 289, A.,

A bill to make it the duty of the city clerk to itemize all tax rolls of the city of Watertown.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Flinn :

No. 290, A.,

A bill relating to repeal of section seven of chapter two of the charter of the city of Watertown, relating to officers, and amending the same.

To Committee on Incorporations.

By Mr. Flinn :

No. 291, A.,

A bill to authorize the common council of the city of Watertown to levy a special tax to pay for engine and bridge.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Hulburt :

No. 292, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 96, general laws of 1876.

To Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Wright :

No. 293, A.,

A bill to repeal sections 61 and 62, of chapter 188, of the general laws of 1872, "of the incorporation of villages," also to repeal section 7, of chapter 240, of general laws of 1876, "to authorize village boards to lay out streets, etc."

To Committee on Incorporations.

By Mr. Wright :

No. 294, A.,

A bill relating to the indexing of records of Door county.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Van Waters :

No. 295, A.,

A bill relating to partition fences in certain cases.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Flanders :

No. 296, A.,

A bill relating to court commissioners and notaries public.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Luchsinger :

No. 297, A.,

A bill to provide for a more accurate and complete collection and publication of statistics.

To Committee from Green County.

By Mr. Dailey :

No. 298, A.,

A bill requiring Christian Berkheret, his heirs and assigns, to sluice logs through a certain dam on Willow river, now owned by him, and to authorize the collection of tolls for such sluicing.

To St. Croix County Delegation.

By Mr. Dousman :

No. 299, A.,

A bill to authorize the Eagle Grove Cemetery Association to re-organize.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Hyde :

No. 300, A.,

A bill declaring certain portions of Spring street road in the town of Wauwatosa, a county highway, and providing for the improvement thereof.

To Milwaukee County Delegation.

By Mr. Sarnow :

No. 301, A.,

A bill to authorize the levy of a special tax in the ninth and tenth wards of the city of Milwaukee, for the purchase of a public park.

To Milwaukee City Delegation.

By Mr. Blakeslee :

No. 302, A.,

A bill to repeal section 39 of chapter 157 of general laws of Wisconsin for 1869, entitled "an act to codify the law relating to Normal Schools, and to amend chapter 94 of general laws of 1859, and chapter 116 of general laws of 1866."

To Committee on Education.

By Mr. Luchsinger :

No. 303, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 346 of the general laws of 1876, relating to highways and bridges.

To Committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Blakeslee :

No. 304, A.,

A bill relating to fire insurance companies doing business in the State of Wisconsin.

To Committee on Insurance, Banks and Banking.

By Mr. Dailey :

No. 305, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 134 of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of executions and proceedings supplementary thereto."

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Dailey :

No. 306, A.,

A bill to amend sections 6 and 8 of chapter 93, of the general

laws of 1870, entitled "an act for the improvement and raising of stock."

To Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Dailey:

No. 307, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 57, of the general laws of 1876, entitled "an act to amend chapter 273, of the general laws of 1874, relating to railroads, express and telegraph companies of the State of Wisconsin."

To Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Leavens:

No. 308, A.,

A bill relating to highways, streets and alleys upon boundary lines of cities and towns.

To Committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Gætzte:

No. 309, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 267 of the general laws of 1873, entitled "an act to authorize town supervisors to lay out public highways in certain cases," and to repeal chapter 286 of the general laws of 1875, relating and amendatory to section one of said chapter 267 of the general laws of 1873.

To Committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Wall:

No. 310, A.,

A bill to facilitate the extension of Market street and opening of Division street in the city of Oshkosh.

To Committee on Incorporations.

On motion of Mr. W. E. Carter, the

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was taken up, being the contested election case of Henry Fink vs. Peter Salentine.

Mr. Dailey asked leave to make a minority report from the committee on Privileges and Elections.

Mr. W. E. Carter objected to the report being received at this time, as such action, under rule twenty-three, would have the effect to lay the subject over until tomorrow, but consented that the minority report might be received and read if the special order was not to be changed thereby.

The minority report of the Committee on Privileges and Elections was read, as follows:

The minority of the Committee on Privileges and Elections, report as follows:

That after an examination of the original testimony and exhibits, the following finding of facts and conclusions are submitted:

The minority of the committee report that in the second precinct of the Eleventh ward, where most of the alleged irregularities occurred, two republicans and one democrat composed the board of inspectors; that republicans were admitted in numbers through a back door into the room occupied by the inspectors and suffered to cast their votes there, to the delay of voters outside; that the polls were closed in direct violation of the statute for half an hour in the middle of the day; that unlawful influences were employed to influence men to vote the republican ticket, and at the close of the polls on the evening of election day, from 100 to 150 voters were in line waiting to vote, who were prevented by these delays from voting, and that of this number a large percentage were democrats. These facts were shown with sufficient clearness, and while they have far more bearing upon the question who should have the seat in controversy than much testimony accorded weight by the majority of the committee, and particularly than that upon which the majority of the committee decide in their report that certain illegal votes were cast for Mr. Salentine, it is not believed by the majority of the committee that anything but legal evidence should be considered in the determination of the question at issue, and the report of the minority is therefore based upon evidence such as would be received in courts of law.

First. In regard to the eight affidavits upon which the voter Zimmer appears to have vouched as householder, for Christian Zimmer testifies on page 19 of the printed case that he neither signed nor authorized any one to sign them, and that he was not sworn to them. C. J. Hall, the notary before whom they purport to have been sworn, testifies on the other hand (see pages 83 and 84) that Zimmer was sworn to each of said affidavits, and authorized Hall to sign each of them by mark for Zimmer; the minority are therefore unable to determine which of these parties is to be believed. The minority, however, do not find any testimony showing or tending to show for whom these votes, if illegal, were cast.

Second. In regard to nine affidavits upon which Alexander C. Hoernig appears to have vouched, as householder, for the voter, Hoernig testifies (page 20 and 21) that he did not sign them and that he was not sworn to them. C. J. Hall, on the other hand before whom they purport to have been sworn as notary, testifies (on page 84) that the oath was administered to said Hoernig on each of said affidavits and that Hoernig authorized him in each instance to sign Hoernig's name by mark. Theodore Rudzinsky also testifies (on pages 66 and 67) that he brought voters to Hall, for whom Hoernig vouched, to the number at least of 5 or 6, and that he saw Hoernig sworn by Hall. The minority therefore find the preponderance of testimony to be in favor of the legality of these votes, but do not find any evidence showing or tending to show for whom these votes, if illegal, were cast.

Third. In regard to the affidavits upon which the name of Math. Shue appears as the householder, the testimony of one Math. Shue, living in the 5th ward, was taken, (page 25) to the effect that

he did not sign them, or authorize them to be signed, and that he was not sworn to them. C. J. Hall, on the other hand, gives the description of a man whose name was represented to him to be similar to the one on these affidavits, and who was said by Hall's neighbors to live on 6th avenue. It is not clearly established that there was not more than one Math. Shue; but in any event, there is no evidence showing or tending to show for whom the votes cast upon these affidavits, if illegal, were cast.

Fourth. In regard to the votes cast upon the affidavit specified in subdivisions 4, 5, 6, and 7, in the report of the majority of this committee, as well as those previously referred to, there is no evidence showing or tending to show for whom these votes, if illegal, were cast. The minority of the committee, therefore dissent entirely from the conclusion of the majority, that these votes were cast for Mr. Salentine, and holds that the burden of proof is upon the contestant, Henry Fink, to show by satisfactory evidence that the votes claimed by him to be illegal, were cast for Mr. Salentine, before they can be deducted from the number of votes cast for the sitting member. The proper rule is that where illegal votes are shown to have been cast, it is in order to first ascertain what percentage of the total vote cast the illegal votes are, and then to deduct from the vote of each candidate such a percentage of the vote cast for him as the number of illegal votes are of the total vote cast. See McCrary on Elections, sec. 298. Applying this rule to the present case, and conceding, for the present, that all the votes specified in subdivisions one to seven inclusive, of the report of the majority of the committee, are illegal, the following result would be arrived at:

Vote cast for Salentine.....	1, 117
Vote cast for Fink.....	1, 110
Total vote cast.....	<u>2, 227</u>

Votes claimed to be illegal by report of majority of committee, from subdivisions one to seven, in report, but which are not shown to have been cast for either candidate.....	<u>72</u>
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Which number (72) is about 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. of the total number (2,227) of votes cast.

Votes cast for Salentine.....	1, 117
Deduct 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. therefrom.....	<u>86$\frac{3}{10}$</u>
Leaving corrected count for Salentine.....	1, 080 $\frac{7}{10}$
Vote cast for Fink.....	1, 110
Deduct 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. therefrom.....	<u>86$\frac{7}{10}$</u>
Leaving corrected count for Fink.....	1, 073 $\frac{3}{10}$
Corrected majority for Salentine.....	<u>6, 7$\frac{7}{10}$</u>

This makes no appreciable difference in the majority for Salentine, and is the true rule in cases of this kind.

Fifth. The minority of the committee further find that seventeen votes upon affidavits upon which D. G. Burnham and John F. Burnham, vouched as householders, are illegal, for the reason that they were not householders, and that said seventeen votes were cast for Henry Fink. That two straight democratic votes were destroyed, bearing Salentine's name, at the first precinct of the Eighth ward, which should have been counted for Salentine. These facts are also found by the report of the majority of the committee, so there is no difference of opinion between the different members of the committee, that nineteen illegal votes were cast for Fink.

Sixth. The majority further find that 120 votes were cast upon affidavits purporting to have been sworn to before Henry Fisher and Herman Boehrngen, as notaries public; that on election day neither of them was a notary public, nor authorized to administer oaths as such, and therefore these affidavits cannot be received as evidence, are of no more validity than blank pieces of paper, and that therefore the votes cast upon these affidavits are illegal; that out of this number thirty-three are shown to have admitted to two witnesses, Francis Y. Barchardt and Peter Renzel that they voted for Henry Fink. (Pages 46, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83.) That Herman Boehrngen does not claim to have had any color of title to the office of notary public.

Seventh. The supreme court of the State of Wisconsin, in the case of *Hilmantel vs. Doerfinger*, 21st Wisconsin, 571, say: "any elector of the district whose name has been omitted, may appear at such meeting and cause the same to be entered upon the register. If he does not so appear and still desires to vote he must furnish the inspectors at the polls his affidavit, giving his reasons for not appearing on the day for the correction of the register, and likewise prove, by the oath of a householder of the district, that he knows him to be an inhabitant of the district; and if in an incorporated village give his residence within the district. In this matter of a voter whose name has been omitted and who has not appeared on the day for the correction of the register, the burden of answering the requirements of the law, by furnishing the affidavit and proof, is thrown upon the voter himself. He is presumed to know the law and must go to the polls prepared to comply with its conditions, and if he does not, and his vote be lost, it may, as far as it is the fault of any one, with justice be said to be his own fault. It is in the nature of a penalty imposed by the law for his neglect to do what is required of him. The inspectors cannot receive his vote, and if they cannot, it cannot afterwards be received and counted by the courts."

Applying this rule to the present case, the law not having been complied with by these non-registered voters, who voted for Henry Fink, by furnishing legal affidavits, these votes are found by the minority of the committee to be illegal, and should be deducted from the vote of Henry Fink.

Eighth. One of the parties vouched for by Mr. John F. Burn-

The Committee on Incorporations have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back, as follows:

No. 49, A.,

A bill relating to municipal aid in the construction of railroads, and to repeal section 3, chapter 289, of the laws of 1873.

And instruct me to report the same back with the recommendation that it do pass.

No. 61, A.,

A bill relating to fire departments, and amendatory of chapter 126, general laws of 1870.

And instruct me to report the same back with the amendment and recommend that it do pass, when so amended.

A. D. DeLAND,
Chairman.

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have had under consideration and examined the following bills and find the same correctly engrossed.

No. 11, A.,

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the town of Kinnickinnic in St. Croix county.

No. 50, A.,

A bill relating to the commencement of actions, and amendatory of section 26 of chapter 138 of the Revised Statutes.

No. 43, A.,

A bill relating to evidence in certain cases, and to provide an executive privy seal.

No. 37, A.,

A bill relating to village cemeteries.

No. 47, A.,

A bill relating to foreclosure of mortgages by advertisement, and amendatory of section 6, chapter 154, of the Revised Statutes, for 1858.

M. C. No. 3, A.,

A memorial to Congress for increased mail facilities in the western portion of Oconto county.

W. R. HERRON,
Chairman.

The Milwaukee Delegation to whom was referred

No. 232, A.,

A bill to authorize the county board of supervisors of Milwaukee county to appropriate to Richard Rooney, late county treasurer, a certain sum of money; also

No. 97, A.,

A bill in relation to the paving of Chesnut street, from the Milwaukee river to Fifth street in the second ward of the city of Milwaukee.

Have had the same under consideration, and report the same back with a recommendation that they do pass.

ED. KEOGH,
Chairman.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By A. J. TURNER, Chief Clerk thereof:

Mr. Speaker:—I am directed to inform you that the Senate has amended and concurred in as amended

Jt. Res. No. 17, A.,

Relating to use of capitol building for executive reception, February 9th.

And has passed and asks the concurrence of the Assembly in No. 4, S.,

A bill to extend the time of exemption from assessment and taxation of certain lands fixed in the act incorporating the Winnebago and Lake Superior Railroad Company, approved April 6, 1866, and in the act incorporating the Portage and Superior Railroad Co., approved April 9, 1866.

No. 12, S.,

A bill relating to narrow guage railroads, and amendatory of section 13, of chapter 182, of the general laws of 1872, as amended by chapter 317, of the laws of 1874, and chapter 117 of the laws of 1875.

And that the Senate has concurred in

Jt. Res. No. 16, A.,

Relating to printing for the use of the legislature.

And has passed and asks the concurrence of the Assembly in

No. 41, S.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 267, laws of 1873, relating to laying out highways,

And that the Senate requests the return of

No. 29, S.,

A bill to repeal section 1, of chapter 137, of the general laws of 1876, entitled "an act to amend section 6, of chapter 134, of the revised statutes, entitled 'of executions and proceedings supplementary thereto.'"

Said bill was returned as requested.

MESSAGE FROM SENATE CONSIDERED.

No. 4, S.,

Concurred in as amended by the Senate, read first and second times and referred.

No. 12, S.,

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

No. 41, S.,

To Committee on Roads and Bridges.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1877.

Assembly met,

The Speaker in the chair.

Prayer by the Rev. C. H. Richards.

The roll was called, and the following members were present:

Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailley, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Rice, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker—97.

Absent on leave—Mr. Scheuber—1.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Was granted to Mr. Gray indefinitely;

To Mr. Marx (after morning session) till Monday.

Mr. Henry Fink from Milwaukee county, came forward and subscribed to the oath of office and was sworn in by the speaker as a member of the Assembly.

Mr. Vance moved that when the Assembly adjourn it do adjourn until 7:30 p. m.

Carried.

Mr. Luschinger moved that the sergeant-at-arms be requested to move seat number 57, (formerly occupied by Mr. Salentine), to place occupied by seat number 83.

Carried.

MEMORIALS PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. Wright:

Mem. No. 75, A.,

Spread at length on journal as follows:

To the Honorable Senate and Assembly of the State of Wisconsin:

WHEREAS, We the undersigned farmers of the State of Wisconsin, having left the eastern states and foreign countries many years ago, with all our moneys and effects, and in addition have laid out from twenty to thirty years of hard labor, thus using up the better part of our physical ability for the aggrandizement of our state, and for the benefit of future generations. But now, fields yield not their accustomed products, and it is difficult to cancel our debts, live and pay the taxes.

WHEREAS, We the lumbermen of this state, having brought our all with us, including our labor, have toiled for many years that the people might have lumber for the construction of their buildings and fences, (more especially for our own profits) but owing to the exorbitant rates on freight, we have become reduced in circumstances, and many of us will fall a prey to our creditors, and we also find it difficult to live and pay our taxes.

WHEREAS, We the millers, having labored many years in this state for the benefit of the people and especially ourselves, (be honest like us) we also find it difficult to live and pay our taxes.

WHEREAS, We private speculators in land, having used our all for that purpose, find ourselves minus of a sum wherewith to live and pay our taxes;

WHEREAS, we merchants, mechanics and laborers of all occupations, on account of the dullness of the times, also find it difficult to live and pay our taxes,

Therefore, we petition your honorable body to pass a law whereby our property shall be free of taxation for the space of five years, in order that we, too, may recuperate, like other men seeking freedom from taxes.

JAS. MEIKLEJOHN,

Representing nine-tenths of the voters of the State of Wisconsin in the above petition.

By Mr. Truell:

Mem. No. 76, A.,

Petition of W. J. Chester, and 18 others, asking that the Wisconsin Central Railroad Company be exempted for five years from taxation on its land grant.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Weeks:

Mem. No. 77, A.,

Petition of H. J. Mack, and 15 others, for the exemption of the lands of the Wisconsin Central Railroad from taxation for five years longer.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Crockett:

Mem. No. 78, A.,

Petition of James Ryan, and 14 others, asking for the further exemption from taxation of the lands of the Wisconsin Central Railroad for five years.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Lindsay:

Mem. No. 79, A.,

Petition of J. S. Edmunds, and others, voters and residents of Clark county, in favor of the exemption of the lands of the Wisconsin Central Railroad Company from taxation.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Lindsay:

Mem. No. 80, A.,

Remonstrance of F. H. Darling, and others, against the exemption of the land of the Wisconsin Central from taxation in Clark and Marathon counties.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Lindsay:

Mem. No. 81, A.,

Remonstrance of P. Tuhey, and other tax-payers in Clark county, against the exemption of the lands of the Wisconsin Central Railroad from taxation.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Lindsay:

Mem. No. 82, A.,

Petition of C. C. Palmer and other residents of Taylor county, against the exemption of the West Wisconsin lands from taxation.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Lindsay:

Mem. No. 83, A.,

Petition of W. Cameron and others, of Taylor county, against the exemption of the lands of the Wisconsin Central Railroad from taxation.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Lindsay:

Mem. No. 84, A.,

Petition of G. A. Eaton and other residents of Taylor county, against the exemption of the lands of the Wisconsin Central from taxation.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Carmichael:

Mem. No. 85, A.,

Petition of J. C. Hackett and others, for the discontinuance of state road from Chippewa Falls, in Chippewa county, to the village of Augusta, in the town of Bridge Creek, in Eau Claire county.

To Committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Fink:

Mem. No. 86, A.,

Petition of D. T. Park and others, for the appointment of a committee to investigate the Probate Court of Milwaukee.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Carmichael:

Mem. No. 87, A.,

Petition of J. C. Hackett and 32 others, for changing the time for holding elections in the village of Augusta, in Eau Claire county.

To Committee on Privileges and Elections.

By Mr. Gætzke:

Mem. No. 88, A.,

Petition of Wm. Boots and others asking that the lands of the Wisconsin Central Railroad be exempt from taxation for five years.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Pierce:

Mem. No. 89, A.,

Petition of H. C. Tane and others that the lands of the Wisconsin Central Railroad be exempt for five years from taxation.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Pierce:

Mem. No. 90, A.,

Petition of Hoffman, Billings & Co. and others that the Wisconsin Central Railroad lands be exempt for five years from taxation.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Burnett:

Mem. No. 91, A.,

Petition of A. H. Begelton and others asking that the Wisconsin Central Railroad lands be exempt for five years from taxation.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Burnett:

Mem. No. 92, A.,

Of D. G. Kessing and eleven others, asking that the Wisconsin Central Railroad Company be exempted from taxes on its land grant.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Wall:

Mem. No. 93, A.,

Of J. H. Porter and twenty others, for reduction of tolls on certain dams on Little Wolf River.

To Committee on Lumber and Manufactures.

By Mr. Ringle:

Mem. No. 94, A.,

Of Veichburch and 37 others, in relation to the exemption of sixty days labor for a married man, and in favor of the passage of bill No. 161, A.

To Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Hamilton:

Mem. No. 95.,

Of A. W. Ross and 11 others, asking that the Wisconsin Central Railroad to be exempted from for five years longer from tax on its land grant.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Hamilton:

Mem. No. 96, A.,

Of Wm. Chase and 18 others, asking that the Wisconsin Central railroad company be exempted for five years longer from taxes on its land grant.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Stapleton:

Mem. No. 97, A.,

Of A. Gettleman and 161 others, praying for the passage of bill number 244, A., entitled, a bill in relation to toll gates on the Milwaukee and Watertown plank road.

To Milwaukee County Delegation.

By Mr. Stapleton:

Mem. No. 98, A.,

Of J. W. Scheirmacher and 113 others, praying for passage of bill No. 243, A.

To Milwaukee County Delegation.

By Mr. Touhey:

Mem. No. 99, A.,

Of John Hein and 150 others, citizens of Brown county, asking for a division of the town of Wrightstown, Brown county.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

COMMUNICATIONS.

STATE OF WISCONSIN, SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
MADISON, January 31, 1877.

Hon. J. B. Cassoday, Speaker of the Assembly:

SIR:—I have the honor to transmit herewith a copy of the annual report of the commissioners of the Wisconsin Railroad Farm Mortgage Land Company, filed in this office on the 29th inst., in accordance with the provisions of chapter 446 of the private and local laws of 1868, and acts amendatory thereof.

Very respectfully,

PETER DOYLE,
Secretary of State.

To the Hon. Peter Doyle, Secretary of State:

SIR:—The commissioners of the Wisconsin Railroad Farm Mortgage Land Company, report:

The principal transactions during the year, ending Dec. 31st, 1876, briefly stated, are sales of a small quantity of land collec-

tions on out standing contracts, payment of dividends to claimants, hearing and filing proof of claims under chapter 49 of the laws of 1876, and prosecution of the case now pending in the United States Circuit Court to recover the balance of land earned and due for building the 61 miles of railroad between Portage City and Tomah.

It will be seen by the last annual report that on the 31st day of December, 1875, the company had a remainder of 18,499.53. acres of land and a balance on hand of \$13,732.31. During the year ending December 31st, 1876, the commissioners have sold 371.02 acres leaving a remainder of 18,128.51 acres and have a balance on hand, January 1st, 1877, of \$15,697.66.

The following statement will show the collections and disbursements, during the year 1876, and the condition of the fund on the 1st day of January, 1877.

Balance on hand January 1st, 1876.....	\$13, 732 31
Principal collected on land sales and land contracts in 1876.....	6, 439 29
Interest collected on land contracts.....	1, 877 44
Interest collected on bank deposits.....	650 00
Fees received from claimants.....	90 24
Total.....	<u>22, 589 28</u>

Disbursements for the year 1876:

Paid 51 claims for dividends.....	3, 375 61
Paid attorney fee on land grant and foreclosure suits.....	1, 350 00
Paid incidental expenses and services of commission.....	2, 166 01
Total.....	<u>6, 891 62</u>
Balance on hand January 1st, 1877.....	<u>15, 697 66</u>

There are 96 outstanding land contracts; a large portion on most of them has been paid. It would require much labor to determine the exact amount now due and to become due thereon. Collections are constantly being made and indorsed upon these contracts; the aggregate collection thereon during the year 1876, is embraced in the items above enumerated. Besides these, there are 75 contracts on which a small amount has been paid, and the time for final payment has expired. Foreclosure proceedings have been commenced on 29 of these contracts. In some cases the parties have paid up and taken deeds; in other cases the company has recovered title to the lands.

The time for proving and filing claims against this company had expired on the 6th day of March, 1871; up to that time 713 claims had been filed, representing \$961,757.25. Many of

the "farm mortgages" declined to file their claims, for the reason that the company had only received patents for about 68,000 acres of refuse lands, in detached parcels, distributed over a large district of country lying principally between Portage City and Tomah, and it was believed at that time that enough could not be realized by an immediate cash sale of these lands to pay the expenses of appraisement, sale and making a dividend. A trial was made in the first instance by advertisement to sell the whole of the land for full cash payments, but no purchasers were found.

The commissioners therefore resolved to sell on time contracts, in quantities to suit purchasers. They adopted a general rule, requiring one-third part of the appraised value to be paid down, allowing the balance to run one and two years at ten per cent. interest. The lands were advertised and put upon the market at public sale, (at several places in the vicinity of the land,) to the highest bidder, not less than the appraised value, except such tracts as were claimed by occupants, who were allowed to purchase the same at the appraisal. While this policy has been attended with much labor, at a comparatively small expense, the result is much better than was anticipated. Enough has been realized to pay a six per cent. dividend upon the claims filed. Soon after the commissions commenced the payment of a dividend on the original claims filed, those who had declined to file their claims asked to be participants, and a law was passed (chapter 191 of the laws of 1875) which extended the time for proving and filing claims until the first day of October in that year. Notice was published in six different newspapers, of the time and place of the meeting of the commissioners to hear such proofs, and in accordance with that law 137 additional claims were filed, representing \$182,929.43.

The last session the legislature again extended the time for filing claims until the 1st day of October, 1876, (chapter 49 of the laws of 1876.) The commissioners caused like notices to be published, and in accordance with the latter act 85 more claims were filed, representing \$90,305.21. Total number of claims filed and admitted to the list, 935. They represent \$1,234,991.89. The total number of claims paid, up to January 1st, 1877, 772. Total amount paid on such claims, \$64,753.06. The number of claims remaining unpaid, January 1, 1877, is 163. These claims represent \$155,774.23. The amount necessary to pay six per cent. on these claims is \$9,346.45. Deducting this last mentioned sum from the balance on hand, January 1, 1877, there remains available fund \$6,351.21. Outstanding claims are being paid promptly upon

- the return of proof showing the names of persons entitled to receive the same. Some of the claimants have died since filing their original proofs, rendering it necessary to require evidence of heirship before payment. Others are being contested, the payment of which are attended with some delay and perplexity in determining the parties rightfully entitled thereto.

It may not be out of place to show how the farm mortgages acquired title to the lands above mentioned. By an act of congress approved June 3, 1856, a grant of land was made to the state for the purpose of building a railroad from Madison or Columbus by way of Portage City to St. Croix river or lake, and from thence to the west end of Lake Superior and to Bay-field.

This act made a grant of six sections for each mile of road to be designated by odd numbers, and to extend six miles in width on each side of the line of said road. The act provided in case the United States had disposed of any of the lands so granted, it should be lawful to select in lieu thereof nearest the tier of sections above specified, so much in alternate sections or parts of sections as shall be equal to such lands as the United States had thus disposed of. And it provided further that the lands to be so selected should in no case be further than fifteen miles from the line of the road. Under this act there are two parallel limits on each side of the line of the road from which to select the quantity of land granted. The lands within six miles of line of the road are usually termed land in "place;" lands more than six and not more than fifteen miles, are termed lands in "float," or idemnity lands. The lands in the limit last described were granted, so far as necessary, to supply the deficiency in the quantity of lands in "place." This grant was conferred upon the La Crosse and Milwaukee Railroad Company by act of the legislature, approved Oct. 11, 1856, and this company built sixty-one miles of the land grant road between Portage City and Tomah.

It therefore earned 366 sections of land, equal to 234,240 acres, but it did not get patents therefor. Subsequently the Milwaukee and St. Paul Railroad Company became possessed of all the rights and franchises of the La Crosse and Milwaukee Railroad Company, including the lands earned and applicable to the building of the said sixty-one miles of railroad, and on the 15th day of September, 1868, the Milwaukee and St. Paul Railroad Company donated and conveyed to the Wisconsin Railroad Farm Mortgage Land Company, for a nominal consideration, all its claim to the whole or any part of the lands so granted, and congress, by an act approved July 27th, 1868, provided that it should be lawful to dispose of the lands which

have enured, certified and due the state for building that portion of the road to the Wisconsin Railroad Farm Mortgage Land Company.

In accordance with the foregoing, the governor conveyed to this company, for the benefit of the "farm mortgagors," 68,820 21-100 acres, this being all the lands in "place," and all the lands in the indemnity limits between Portage City and Tomah, which were not otherwise disposed of by the United States. A small portion of the land conveyed, was erroneously certified to the state, the title to which has since been relinquished, so that there now remains due this company at least 166,000 acres of land from the indemnity limits of said grant, for and on account of the building of sixty-one miles of the land grant road.

The act of Congress granted six sections of land for each mile of road, the lands in "place" to be first selected, and in case of a deficit, the remainder to be taken from the indemnity limits. That there is abundant land in such limits, which has been certified and applicable to supply such deficit, cannot be denied. The commissioners have made repeated applications to select this deficit from the indemnity limits of the grant north and west of Tomah, but in the first instance it was held by the commissioner of the general land office that the act of Congress approved June 3, 1856, was superseded by a subsequent act approved May 5, 1864. If this construction of the act be correct, then Congress has repudiated its own act, and went back on its promise. We were unwilling to accept this construction of the act by the commissioner of the general land office. For, while the act of May 5th, 1864, makes a grant to the state to aid in the construction of certain railroads, it contains a provision "*deducting any and all lands that may have been granted to the State of Wisconsin for the same purpose, by the act of Congress granting lands to said state, to aid in the construction of certain railroads, approved June 3, 1856.*"

It is therefore plain that congress did not intend to disturb any rights to the grant of June 3d, 1856. Our rights were vested *because the lands had been earned*, and could not be "superceded" by subsequent legislation; the refusal of the departments to recognize these rights, and a recent conveyance of some of these lands to other companies, has compelled us to resort to the courts to have the question of title determined. The case is now pending in the United States Circuit Court, Western District. We can give no definite opinion as to when the case will be decided. The attorneys for this company tell us that if we get a decision next June, it is as early as can be expected. Relying upon the justice of our cause, the attorneys and com-

missioners have the fullest confidence that this company will get the quantity of land claimed, for every decision and intimation of the courts thus far, both state and federal, has been in favor of the claim of this company.

Respectfully submitted,

D. W. MAXON,
PETER HOUSTON,
HUGH McFARLANE,
IRA W. BIRD,
S. M. CARR,
JOHN STEINER.

January, 30, 1877.

The undersigned committee, chosen by a meeting of farm mortgagors, to investigate all affairs of the Wisconsin Railroad Farm Mortgage Land Company, and also to examine the books, records, and papers belonging to said company, report to the honorable secretary of state, as follows: By a careful examination of all the matters referred to, we have the honor to state, we found the same correct and in good order, and that the affairs of said company have been managed since its organization, to our full satisfaction.

JOHN KISSINGER,
GEORGE BARWIN,
PHILIP OBERKIRCHER,
Farm Mortgagors.

On motion of Mr. Seymour, 500 extra copies of the above report was ordered printed, in slip form, journal size.

To the Honorable, the Assembly of the State of Wisconsin:

The undersigned, having information of the passage of a resolution by your honorable body, whereby the revisers of the statutes, appointed in pursuance of section one of chapter two hundred and three of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1875, were requested to make report of their progress in their work, the number of days each of them has been able to devote to such work since the last session of the legislature, whether the whole work of revision can be completed so as to report the same to the present legislature, and if such work cannot be completed during the present session, how much additional time will, in their judgment, be required for its completion, respectfully beg leave for themselves and their colleague, to report in response to such resolution:

That it is somewhat difficult to state the proportion of the whole

work already accomplished, without giving an account of the several parts completed, and the general plan upon which the work has been done; but, estimating the labor to be accomplished, and contrasting it with what has been done, something over one-half of the whole has been already performed in their opinion.

That since their report to the last legislature, they have served in addition to the time therein stated, as follows: David Taylor, 188 days, and William F. Vilas, 115 days. The amount charged and paid Mr. Cottrill will be found in the accounts of the secretary of state, and the undersigned have no other information thereof, he being now, as they are informed, absent on business.

That it will be entirely impossible for them to complete the work so as to report the same to the present legislature, and that in their opinion, it will require the year to complete it; but they entertain no doubt of their ability to report it to the next legislature.

The undersigned beg leave, respectfully, to refer your honorable body to the report which the revisers made to the Senate of 1876, (to be found in the Senate Journal of 1876, p. p. 147-155), for a statement of the objects and purposes which they regarded to have been proposed to their exertions by the act referred to in the resolutions of your body, and of the plan upon which they have entered upon the performance of the undertaking. It will be seen that the revisers there expressed the opinion that the work could not be completed during the year just passed.

The undersigned beg to embrace the opportunity presented by this occasion to represent their opinion that to complete their work in a desirable form for report, it will be necessary to employ during some part of the coming year an additional clerk for copying. The original act of 1875, reposed that power in the discretion of the justices of the Supreme Court, but the amendment made by section 2, chapter 317, laws of 1876, in the opinion of the undersigned, operated to limit, perhaps undesignedly, that privilege to the same allowance then already established by the justices. It is respectfully suggested that the authority given by the original act, be restored.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID TAYLOR,
WM. F. VILAS.

January 31, 1877.

MADISON, February 1, 1877.

Hon. J. B. Cussoday, Speaker of the Assembly:

Will you please lay before the Assembly the following certified copy of the statement and report by the commissioners created under chapter 274, of the laws of 1874.

Very respectfully,

E. A. CALKINS.

The undersigned, constituted by chapter 274 of the laws of 1874 commissioners to act in the matter of the final settlement of the claim of Elias A. Calkins and James K. Proudfit, against the state, do hereby certify and report that we have, as required by said act, examined and computed the amount of the verdict in the circuit court of Milwaukee county, rendered on the 17th day of November, 1860, in a case in the Supreme Court, wherein Elias A. Calkins and James K. Proudfit were plaintiffs, and the State of Wisconsin was defendant, and the interest thereon to this date, and after deducting therefrom the payment made thereon, we do ascertain and find the balance unpaid on said verdict at this date to be thirteen thousand five hundred and five and 84-100 dollars, \$13,505.84.

We have also carefully considered the evidence of the book printers and book binders on which the said verdict was rendered, and find that said verdict was not contrary to the evidence.

We have also carefully considered the verdict on the "remaining issues" in said case, rendered in the circuit court of Milwaukee county, on the 26th day of May, 1868, and we are of opinion that the said verdict is contrary to the evidence therein.

We do therefore determine that the amount of said verdict unpaid at this date is the said sum of \$13,505.84, and we hereby certify that the said sum is due from the state to the said Elias A. Calkins and James K. Proudfit, and we award the said sum to them upon the said verdict.

We have also computed the interest on the sums appropriated to E. A. Calkins, by chapter 65 of the general laws of 1868, and chapter 119 of the general laws of 1869, respectively, from the time when the printing and publishing were completed, for which such appropriations were made to the date of such appropriations, and find that said interest amounts, at this date, to the sum of \$5,975.58.

But as the law providing for the settlement of these claims contains a provision that no award shall be made in excess of the sum of \$16,200, and the said Elias A. Calkins having appeared before the undersigned and requested that the full sum found due to said firm of Calkins & Proudfit should first be paid, we therefore certify and award to the said Elias A. Calkins the sum of twenty-six hundred and ninety-four 16-100 dollars, as the amount due to him from the State of Wisconsin.

PETER DOYLE,
Secretary of State.
FERD. KUEHN,
State Treasurer.
A. SCOTT SLOAN,
Attorney General.

DATED April 3, 1874.

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STATE OF WISCONSIN, }
SECRETARY'S OFFICE. } ss.

The Secretary of State of the State of Wisconsin hereby certifies that the foregoing has been compared with the original on file in this office, and that the same is a true and correct copy thereof, and of the whole of such original.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the state, at the Capitol in Madison, this 31st day of January, A. D. 1877.

PETER DOYLE,
Secretary of State.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Kelly;:

Res. No. 29 A.,

WHEREAS, It is claimed by many legal voters that a proper re-districting of the state into judicial circuits would result in a saving in money to the state, in increasing the efficiency of the several courts, in distributing the work of the judges of the circuits more equitably than under the present system, and in furthering generally the ends of justice; therefore

Resolved, That the committee on judiciary is hereby directed to enquire into the expediency of any change in the present circuit court system of the state, and if any change is found to be necessary or desirable, the said committee is hereby authorized to report by bill or otherwise.

Adopted.

SPECIAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. W. E. Carter, the special order being

Jt. Res. No. 10, A.,

Was taken up.

On motion of Mr. Merrill, Jt. Res. No. 10, A., and the reports thereon, were tabled.

The communication from the revisers of the statutes was ordered spread at length upon the journal.

Mem. No. 75, A., was ordered spread at length upon the journal.

On motion of Mr. Vance,

No. 118, A.,

Was re-called from Committee on Insurance, Banks and Banking, and re-committed to Committee on Incorporations.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By Mr. W. J. Fisk :

No. 311, A.,

A bill to incorporate the city of Depere.

To Select Committee of one. The Speaker appointed as such committee, Mr. W. J. Fisk.

By Mr. Sylvester :

No. 312, A.,

A bill to donate the cereals and other centennial exhibits made by the state, to the State Agricultural Society.

To Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Cassoday :

No. 313, A.,

A bill relating to elections, and amendatory of section 2, of chapter 7, of the Revised Statutes and the several acts amendatory thereof.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Cassoday :

No. 314, A.,

A bill to authorize Philetus Sawyer, Jesse Spaulding and Isaac Stephenson, and their associates, successors, heirs and assigns, to improve that portion of the Menomonee river being in the State of Wisconsin and above Grand Portage Rapids for log driving purposes.

To Committee on Public Improvements.

By Mr. P. Baldwin :

No. 355, A.,

A bill to amend an act entitled "an act to incorporate the village of Stoughton."

To Dane County Delegation.

By Mr. Kast :

No. 316, A.,

A bill to divide the county of Oconto, and create the county of Sawyer.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Truell :

No. 317, A.,

A bill to repeal section 6, chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes and chapter 149 of laws of 1876.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Leavens :

No. 318, A.,

A bill relating to the charter of the city of Menasha and amendatory of chapter 127, laws of 1874, and chapter 343, laws of 1875.

To Winnebago County Delegation.

By Mr. Leavens :

No. 319, A.,

A bill to authorize the commissioners of school and university

lands to loan a portion of the trust funds of the state to the city of Neenah.

To Committee on Education.

By Mr. Touhey :

No. 320, A.,

A bill to divide the town of Wrightstown, Brown county, and to create the town of Greenleaf, Brown county.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Abell :

No. 321, A.,

A bill to change the time for holding the general terms of the circuit court of Walworth county.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Brooks :

No. 322, A.,

A bill relating to the size of the mesh used in trap or pound nets.

To Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Brooks :

No. 323, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts and proceedings of officers of the town of Rosendale, in assessment and collection of taxes to aid in the construction of the Sheboygan & Fond du Lac Railroad.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Cash :

No. 324, A.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 227 of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act to provide for the recording of the laws of the Wisconsin Railroad Farm Mortgage Land Company, in the register's office of the several counties in which lands are situated."

To Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Arnot :

No. 325, A.,

A bill to amend an act entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Stevens Point," approved May 11th, A. D. 1858, and the several acts amendatory thereof.

To Committee on Incorporations.

By Mr. Wannemaker :

No. 326, A.,

A bill relating to the form of ballot to be used at election.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Wannemaker :

No. 327, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 189, of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act for the organization of corporations for benevolent purposes."

To Committee on Incorporations.

By Mr. Black :

No. 328, A.,

A bill to amend section 100, of chapter 18, of the Revised Stat-

utes, concerning the collection of delinquent personal property tax.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Black :

No. 329, A.,

A bill to amend sub-section 4, of section 50, of chapter 18, of the Revised Statutes, relating to overseers of highways.

To Committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Senn :

No. 330, A.,

A bill to amend section 10, of chapter 344, laws of 1876, relating to town insurance companies.

To Committee on Incorporations.

By Mr. Carmichael :

No. 331, A.,

A bill to exempt the lands of the Cornell University from taxation.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Senn :

No. 332, A.,

A bill relating to the publication of legal notices.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Lindsay :

No. 333, A.,

A bill to authorize the county board of supervisors of the county of Clark to levy and collect a tax for the purpose of building a road in Clark county, Wisconsin.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Cash :

No. 334, A.,

A bill to authorize John T. Kingston, John Smart, Wm. Woock and their associates, to build and maintain a bridge across the Wisconsin river, and authorizing certain towns to grant aid therefor.

Referred to committee of one, (Mr. Cash.)

By Mr. Carmichael :

No. 335, A.,

A bill relating to and amendatory of chapter 328, private and local laws of 1867, entitled an act to incorporate the Eagle Rapids Flooding Dam and Boom Company.

To Committee on Lumber and Manufacturing.

By Mr. Cash :

No. 336, A.,

A bill to create and establish a municipal court in the village of New Lisbon, Wisconsin.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Hall:

No. 337, A.,

A bill for an act to regulate fees in settlement of particular estates in the county court for Milwaukee county in probate.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Ringle:

No. 338, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 146 of the general laws of 1876, relating to establishing a municipal court in the city of Wausau and county of Marathon.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. W. E. Carter:

No. 339, A.,

A bill to facilitate the more perfect execution of trusts in certain cases.

To Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. W. E. Carter:

No. 340, A.,

A bill in relation to the release of dower in real estate by insane persons.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. W. E. Carter:

No. 341, A.,

A bill relating to the revisure of the statutes, and amendatory of chapter 203 of the laws of 1875.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. W. E. Carter:

No. 342, A.,

A bill in relation to trusts for charitable purposes.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Merrill:

No. 343, A.,

A bill relating to the State Historical Society.

To Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Merrill:

No. 344, A.,

A bill relating to deposits of married women, trustees and minors in savings banks.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Hammel:

No. 345, A.,

A bill to prevent the destruction of gravel roads.

To Committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Blakeslee:

No. 346, A.,

A bill entitled "an act to provide for the payment of the actual indebtedness of the late town of Eaton, in Monroe county."

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Wedig:

No. 347, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 254, of the private and local laws of 1868, and the several acts amendatory thereof, being the acts revising and amendatory thereof, being the acts revising and consolidating and the acts amending the charter of the city of Sheboygan, an to repeal chapter 111, of the laws of 1875.

To Sheboygan County Delegation.

By Mr. Vincent:

No. 348 A.,

A bill to provide for the organization of road districts.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Vincent:

No. 349 A.,

A bill to define the duties of towns and town officers in certain cases.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Vincent:

No. 350, A.,

A bill relating to license fund received by the city of Chippewa Falls.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Dixon:

No. 351, A.,

A bill to provide for the holding of the December term of the circuit court for the county of Waupaca, at the village of New London in said county.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Johnson:

No. 352, A.,

A bill relating to the election of county superintendents of schools.

To Committee on Education.

By Mr. Dailey:

No. 353, A.,

A bill to provide for the letting of the tax-list printing in the several counties of the state, to the lowest bidder.

To Committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. Dailey:

No. 354, A.,

A bill for the preservation of game in St. Croix county.

To Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Vincent:

No. 355, A.,

A bill to authorize the county of Chippewa to aid in the construction of the works of the Eagle Rapids Flooding, Dam and Boom Company.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Hulburt:

No. 356, A.,

A bill to authorize the appointment of a phonographic reporter for the circuit court of Sauk county.

To Sauk County Delegation.

By Mr. Bennett:

No. 357, A.,

A bill relating to the protection of the capitol and the capitol park, in the city of Madison.

To Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. McCollum:

No. 358, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 275, of the laws of 1873, entitled "an act to authorize Lewis Forinus to build and maintain a dam across Moose river, in the county of Douglas."

To Committee on Lumber and Manufactures.

By Mr. Kelly:

No. 359, A.,

A bill relating to the right of way of railroads, and amendatory of section 16, of chapter 119, of the general laws of 1872.

To Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Luchsinger:

No. 360, A.,

A bill relating to the sale of real estate owned jointly by minors or persons under guardianship, with other persons in certain cases.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Wall:

No. 361, A.,

A bill to provide for the punishment of certain offenses against log-owners on Wolf river and its tributaries.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Wall:

No. 362, A.,

A bill to fix the terms of the circuit court of Winnebago county.

To Winnebago County Delegation.

By Mr. Carmichael:

No. 363, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Nelson McNeal, the sum of money therein named.

To Joint Committee on Claims.

By Mr. Wall:

No. 364, A.,

A bill relating to dams across Little Wolf river, and amendatory of section 1, of chapter 296, of the laws of Wisconsin for 1875.

To Committee on Lumber and Manufactures.

By Mr. Keogh :

No. 365, A.,

A bill amendatory of and supplementary to the charter of the city of Milwaukee.

To Milwaukee City Delegation.

By Mr. Wall ;

No. 366, A.,

A bill relating to a dam across Little Wolf River in Waupaca county, and amendatory of section 4 of chapter 159, of the laws of Wisconsin for 1873.

To Committee on Lumber and Manufactures.

By Mr. Hyde ;

No. 367, A.,

A bill for an act declaratory of the intent and meaning of chapter 123, laws of 1875, entitled "an act to provide for the incorporation of trustees to hold property for religious purposes, in certain cases," and chapter 411, laws of 1876, entitled "an act to provide for the incorporation of religious societies" and of other acts.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Hyde :

No. 368, A.,

A bill to provide for the examination and licensing of mechanical engineers.

To Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Brooks :

No. 369, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 137, of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act to amend section 6 of chapter 134, of the Revised Statutes, entitled 'of executions and and proceedings supplementary thereto.'"

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Wall :

No. 370, A.,

A bill relating to a dam on Little Wolf river, in Waupaca county, and amendatory to section 4, chapter 169, of laws of Wisconsin for 1875.

To Committee on Lumber and Manufactures.

By Mr. W. E. Carter :

No. 371, A.,

A bill to provide for the submission to the people of the proposed amendment to the constitution relating to the Supreme Court.

To Select Committee of one. (W. E. Carter.)

By Mr. McCarty :

No. 372, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 181, of the private and local laws of 1876, entitled "an act to amend section 8, of chapter 15, of the Revised Statutes, entitled, of towns and town officers."

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Leavens :

No. 373, A.,

A bill to detach a portion of the city of Neenah and attach the same to the city of Menasha.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Flanders :

No 374, A.,

A bill concerning service of legal papers.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Vance :

No. 375, A.,

A bill to declare warehouse receipts negotiable.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Flanders :

No. 376, A.,

A bill concerning garnishee proceedings, and to amend chapter 57, of laws of 1875.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Spence :

No. 377, A.,

A bill relating to criminal examinations in cases of offenses against chastity, morality and decency.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Spence :

No. 378, A.,

A bill to amend section 3, of chapter 59, of the private and local laws of 1868, entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Fond du Lac."

To Committee of one. (Mr. Spence.)

By Mr. Spence :

No. 379, A.,

A bill to incorporate the Fireman's Association of the city of Fond du Lac.

To Committee of one. (Mr. Spence.)

By Mr. Spence :

No. 380, A.

A bill to amend chapter 147 of the laws of 1876, relating to the fees of officers therein named.

To Select Committee of one. (Mr. Spence.)

By Mr. Earnest :

No. 381, A.,

A bill relating to legitimacy of fish artificially propagated.

To Committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. Anderson :

No. 382, A.,

A bill to incorporate the city of Darlington.

To Committee on Incorporations.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Judiciary have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows:

No. 90, A.,

A bill to amend section 12, chapter 4 of chapter 337, private and local laws of 1871, entitled "an act to revise, consolidate and amend the act to incorporate the city of Prescott, and the several acts amendatory thereof."

No. 8, S.,

A bill relating to court commissioners for Brown county.

No. 10, S.,

A bill relating to the issue of bonds in the county of Brown for the payment of outstanding indebtedness.

No. 13, S.,

A bill to authorize the appointment of a reporter for Kewaunee county circuit court.

No. 24, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of Joseph Mason, a justice of the peace of the county of Grant.

No. 78, A.,

A bill to confer civil jurisdiction in the county court of Fond du Lac county.

Each without an amendment, and recommend the passage of the same.

No. 86 A.,

A bill relating to fees of jurors, and to amend chapter 280 of the general laws of 1874.

With an amendment, and recommend that the same do pass when so amended.

No. 1, S.,

A bill relating to appeals from justices' courts and amendatory of section 216, of chapter 120, of the Revised Statutes of Wisconsin

No. 30, A.,

A bill in relation to judgments and executions for wages for manual labor.

No. 40, A.,

A bill in relation to beggars, vagrants and tramps.

With recommendation that each of said bills be indefinitely postponed.

CARL C. POPE,
Chairman.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills have examined the following bills and find them correctly engrossed:

No. 29, A.,

A bill for an act to establish and maintain a ferry across lake Pepin and the Mississippi river, from Pepin in the county of Pepin.

No. 48, A.,

A bill in relation to fees of county judges and to repeal chapter 123 of the laws of 1871, and amendatory of section 2 of chapter 121 of the laws of 1868.

No. 58, A.,

A bill for the limitation of tax certificates owned by counties
And municipal corporations.

W. R. HERRON,
Chairman

The Committee on Railroads have had under consideration the following bill, and report the same back as follows :

No. 12, S.,

A bill relating to narrow gauge railroads, and amendatory of section 13 of chapter 182 of the general laws of 1872, as amended by chapter 317 of the laws of 1874, and chapter 117 of the laws of 1875.

And recommend that it be concurred in.

W. J. FISK,
Chairman.

The Committee on Federal Relations have had under consideration the following memorials and resolutions, and instruct me to report the same back as follows :

Jt. Res. No. 4, A.,

Relating to pensions allowed by the United States government.
And recommend that the same be indefinitely postponed.

Mem. No. 5, A.,

A memorial to Congress for the establishment of a mail-route from Barron, the county seat of Barron county, Wisconsin, to the village of Sand Creek, in Dunn county, Wisconsin, *via* Mooney's Mill, Sylvan Springs, and Sioux Creek.

And recommend that the same be adopted.

Mem. No. 4, A.,

A petition for a state road between certain points in St. Croix, Pepin, and Pierce counties.

And recommend that the same be referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

W. E. CARTER,
Chairman.

The Committee on Enrolled Bills have examined and find correctly enrolled the following bills :

No. 8, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 58 of the laws of 1876, relating to foreign wills.

No 127, A.,

An act to change the time for holding elections in the city of Eau Claire, and relating to and amendatory of section one of chapter 378, of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1876, entitled "an act

to amend chapter sixteen, private and local laws of 1872,' entitled
'an act to incorporate the city of Eau Claire.'"

JOHN J. SENN,
Chairman.

The Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred

No. 98, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the Fish Commissioners of the State of Wisconsin a sum of money therein named.

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it do pass.

No. 55, A.,

With amendments, and recommend the passage of the same when so amended.

W. T. BROOKS,
Chairman.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

The Milwaukee Delegation to whom was referred

No. 52, A.,

A bill amendatory of and supplementary to the charter of the city of Milwaukee.

Have had the same under consideration, and instructed me to report said bill back with a recommendation that it do pass.

ED. KEOGH,
Chairman.

The special committee to which was referred the resolution No. 16, A., in reference to the State Historical Society, respectfully report to the Assembly:

That the said society was organized in 1853, as a private corporation. In 1855 the legislature made an appropriation of \$500, stipulating that in case the society should accept the money thus appropriated, it should become the trustee of the state to that extent, and that the society should not have power to dispose of any of its property without the consent of the legislature.

In 1860 the Assembly passed a resolution calling on the secretary for information in regard to the society, and among other things: "Whether the state has any legal interest in or control over the collections and other property of the society." In his report, L. P. Harvey, then secretary of state, says: "I do not find that the state has any legal interest in, or control over, the collections and other property of said society, beyond the restriction upon the freedom of the society to dispose of its effects, imposed by section 3 of chapter 81 of Revised Statutes, which provides that the society shall

not make any sale, transfer, or other disposition of its property, or any part thereof, without the consent of the legislature.

"Whether this be a just interest and control for the state to retain in property, it defrays the expense of collecting and caring for to the extent of the very liberal scale of appropriations set forth in the statement submitted, is a question in my judgment, inviting consideration by the legislature."

This inquiry and report resulted in the passage of an act in April, 1860, declaring: That "the said society shall not sell or in any manner transfer any of its books, papers, collections or other property without the consent of the legislature," and "that no money shall be drawn from the treasury until the society shall have filed with the secretary of state a certificate in writing accepting the conditions imposed by the provisions of this act."

The committee find on examination that the certificate required by the act of 1860, was duly filed in the office of the secretary of state, and that the proper entries were made in the record of the proceedings of the society.

Chapter 135 of the laws of 1866, makes "the governor, secretary of state, and the state treasurer, *ex-officio* members of the executive committee of the State Historical Society, to represent the state therein, and to have a watch-care of its interests, as provided for in section 3, chapter 81, of the Revised Statutes, and of chapter 327 of the general laws of 1860."

The appropriation bills since 1854 have generally contained the clause, "the society shall be deemed a trustee of the state," or "continue to be deemed a trustee of the state," to the extent of the sums appropriated in the respective bills.

It will be seen from the foregoing recitals, that the society holds in trust for the state property to the extent of appropriations received, now amounting to about \$130,000.00, and that the society has no power or right to dispose of a dollar's worth of the property in its custody, without the consent of the legislature.

The total amount of appropriations to the society since its organization, not including expense of janitors nor stationery, to the close of the last fiscal year is \$127,777.79.

The amounts of money drawn from the state treasury for the year ending December 31, 1876, were as follows:

Annual appropriations (of which \$500 was paid to 2nd assistant librarian).....		\$5,000.00
Salary of secretary.....		1,200.00
Salary of librarian.....		1,600.00
Salary of assistant librarian.....		720.00
Engravings.....		31.50
Printing.....		169.98
Postage.....		671.40
Shelving Historical Rooms.....		499.83
Binding British Patent Office Reports.....		325.25
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		\$10,227.96
The amount paid to janitors was.....	\$705.20	
For stationery.....	115.00	820.20
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Making the total cost for 1876.....		\$11,048.16

The liberal appropriations of the state and the large annual expenditures of the society as trustee of the state, properly suggest two inquires:

1st. Do not the exigencies of the times, caused by shrinkage in values and stagnation in all business enterprises, demand the cutting down of appropriations?

2d. Ought not the society to be required to make annual reports to the legislature as in the case of other institutions receiving appropriations from the state?

While the committee take pleasure in bearing testimony to the excellent order everywhere prevailing in the library rooms, and the tasteful arrangement of the treasures gathered there, they do not escape the conviction that greater economy, especially in the expenses incurred for employes would not materially retard the growth of the library, nor impair its efficiency to accomplish the purposes for which it was established.

The committee find that the society has no power or right to sell or exchange the duplicates that may come into its possession; that the small number of ten copies of the report of the Geological Survey granted to the society by law of 1876, is inadequate to its wants for making exchanges; and that there is no statute expressly prohibiting the society from mortgaging or removing the property which it holds in trust for state. They therefore have prepared a bill, and recommend the passage of the same, in reference to these points.

S. T. MERRILL,
DAVID TRUELL,
J. H. EARNEST.

ASSEMBLY BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

No. 47, A.,

A bill relating to foreclosure of mortgage by advertisement, and amendatory of section 6, of chapter 154, of the Revised Statutes of 1858.

Was indefinitely postponed.

No. 37, A.,

A bill relating to village cemeteries.

No. 43, A.,

A bill relating to evidence in certain cases, and to provide an executive privy seal.

M. C. No. 3, A.,

A memorial for increased mail facilities in western portion of Oconto county.

No. 11, A.,

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the town of Kinnickinnic, in St. Croix county.

No. 50, A.,

A bill relating to the commencement of action, and amendatory of section 26, chapter 138, of the Revised Statutes.

By Mr. Hamilton :

Mem. No. 101, A.,

Remonstrance of Thos. P. Mathers, H. B. Huntington, M. H. McCord, M. P. Beebe, Daniel Fair and 112 other citizens of Lincoln county, against the organization of the county of Ludington. To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Hyde :

Mem. No. 102, A.,

Of J. A. Dutcher, president, and M. Hunebaugh, superintendent of the Sailors' Home in the city of Milwaukee.

To Committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. Deland :

Mem. No. 103, A.,

Petition of the Wisconsin Dairymen's Association, to provide for publication of annual report.

To Committee on Agriculture.

On motion of Mr. P. Baldwin,

No. 116, A.,

Was withdrawn from Committee on State Affairs and re-committed to Committee on Judiciary.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Bock :

Jt. Res. No. 23, A.,

WHEREAS, The accountings of the State Board of Centennial Managers as submitted to this legislature under date of January 26, 1877, are not in conformity to joint resolutions No. 12, A., of this legislature, and

WHEREAS, The people of the State of Wisconsin demand more light in reference to the expenditures incurred for centennial purposes, therefore

Resolved by the Senate, the Assembly concurring, That a joint committee of five be appointed ; two from the Senate, and three from the Assembly, said three members to be appointed by the Speaker and to consist of one member from the Committee on Privileges and Elections, one from the committee on Insurance, Banks and Banking, and one member from the Committee on Judiciary.

Resolved, That said committee so appointed investigate and particularly inquire into the details of the voluminous amounts appearing as expense account; and inquire into the details of any and all other expenditures incurred by said State Board of Centennial Managers.

Resolved further, That said committee so appointed, have access to all vouchers purported to be in the custody of the secretary of state, and make a full and complete report as contemplated by section 3, of chapter 83, of laws of 1876, and joint resolution No. 12, A., of their investigations and inquiries at an early day in the session of this legislature.

On motion of Mr. Bock, the resolution was referred to a select committee of three.

The Speaker appointed as such committee Messrs. Dousman, Spence and Blakeslee.

By Mr. Ries;

Jr. Res. No. 24, A.,

WHEREAS, The war eagle, old Abe, of the 8th Wisconsin regiment, was taken charge of and exhibited under the direction of the centennial board of managers at the centennial exhibition for such length of time as the state board saw fit, and

WHEREAS, said war eagle, old Abe, was not to be used in any manner for speculative purposes, in accordance with joint resolution No. 22, legislature of 1876, and

WHEREAS, One J. O. Barrett, is said to have used said eagle, Old Abe, for the purpose of facilitating the sale of the history and pictures of the said war eagle, Old Abe, for the avowed purpose of establishing a national fund for ornithological science and fine art;

And, *whereas*, the said J. O. Barrett obtained permission from the state treasurer, a deposit for said fund;

Therefore, be it resolved, by the Assembly, the Senate concurring that the state treasurer be requested to report to this legislature if any such money has been received by him, and if so, how much of it remains in the treasury to the credit of said fund.

To Committee on Militia.

By Mr. Keogh:

Res. No. 30, A.,

WHEREAS, The late discussion in the Fink-Salentine contested seat case has brought to the attention of the Assembly the fact that A. Scheuber, purporting to represent on the floor of this Assembly, the Third Assembly District of Jefferson county, in this state, is a postmaster, and under article 4, section 13, of the constitution of the State of Wisconsin, is ineligible to a seat in this Assembly—that instrument setting forth that “no person being a member of Congress or holding a military or civil office under the United States, shall be eligible to a seat in legislature; and,

WHEREAS, The law as laid down by Governor Grover, in the late electoral contested seat case in the state of Oregon, holds that votes cast for an ineligible person (meaning a postmaster) are blank votes and cannot be counted, and that the eligible person receiving the next higher number of votes is entitled to the office;” therefore,

Resolved, That the Judiciary Committee of this house be requested to investigate the subject, and report to this Assembly, at their earliest convenience whether the aforesaid A. Schuber, is a postmaster, and if a postmaster, whether the seat in this Assembly claimed by him is now, and has been vacant since the organization of this Assembly, and if so whether Lyman Goodhue, the opponent of the said A. Scheuber in the late election, having received the next highest number of votes is not entitled to the seat claimed by said Schuber; and if the facts alleged in the foregoing preamble

are true whether the said A. Scheuber cannot be compelled, by law, to refund to the State Treasurer, the money, postage stamps, and stationery paid to him by the state as such member.

To Judiciary Committee.

Res. No. 31, A.,

Resolved, That the Committee on Militia are hereby instructed to inquire into the expediency of procuring a new state flag for the Assembly Chamber.

Lost.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Judiciary have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows :

No. 111, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of Wayne B. Dyer, a justice of peace in the village of Durand, county of Pepin.

No. 104, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of O. B. Stevens, a justice of the peace of the county of Shawano.

No. 133, A.,

A bill to regulate the times of holding circuit court in Portage county.

Without amendment. and recommend that each of said bills do pass.

No 79, A.,

A bill relating to, and amendatory of section 61 and 82 of chapter 15 of the Revised Statutes, and section one of chapter 71 of the general laws of the year 1869.

With amendments, and passage recommended when so amended.

No. 108, A.,

A bill for an act granting John L. Owen, his associates or assigns, to improve Nail Creek, in Chippewa county, Wisconsin, and to repeal chapter 262 of the laws of 1874, entitled "an act to improve Nail Creek in Chippewa county."

No. 132, A.,

A bill in relation to the foreclosure of mortgages by advertisement.

No. 93, A.,

A bill to suppress disorderly conduct. and to provide a penalty therefor.

No. 38, A.,

A bill to regulate the practice in certain cases.

No. 113, A.,

A bill to provide for the trial of actions wherein a circuit judge is disqualified.

No. 134, A.,

A bill relating to notices of trial and amendatory of chapter 132 of the Revised Statutes.

No. 77, A.,

A bill relating to practice in justices courts, and amendatory of section three, chapter 120 of the Revised Statutes.

Winh recommendation that each of said bills be indefinitely postponed.

Jt. Res., No. 7, A.,

Joint Resolution relative to amendment to the Constitution and relating to uniform taxation,

Without amendment and without recommendation.

CARL C. POPE,

Chairman.

The Committee on State Affairs have had under consideration the following bills, and respectfully report them back as follows:

No. 120, A.,

A bill relating to the powers and duties of fish commissioners, and amendatory of sections 4 and 7, of chapter 307, of the general laws of 1876.

And recommend passage of same.

No. 137, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 395 of the laws of Wisconsin, for the year 1876, an act entitled "an act relating to hawkers and peddlers, and amendatory of chapter 72 of the laws of 1870."

And recommend indefinite postponement of same.

Mem. No. 40, A.,

Memorial of Joseph Curtis and 63 others of Juneau county, for a law to effectually prevent roving bands of Indians destroying deer out of season, in Juneau and adjoining counties.

And recommend that the same be referred to Judiciary Committee.

No. 126, A.,

A bill to amend chap. 179 of the general laws of 1874, entitled "an act to consolidate and codify the various laws of our State relating to excise and the sale of intoxicating liquors."

And recommend that the same be indefinitely postponed.

PHINEAS BALDWIN,

Chairman.

The Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes have had under consideration

No. 4, S.,

A bill to extend the time of exemption from assessment and taxation of certain lands fixed in the act incorporating the Winnebago and Lake Superior Railroad Company, approved April 6, 1866, and in the act incorporating the Portage and Superior Railroad Company, approved April 9, 1866,

And report the same back with the unanimous recommendation that it do pass.

The following are a few reasons why this committee makes this recommendation:

The Wisconsin Central Railroad Company furnishes the only outlet for Lake Superior trade through Wisconsin, and is the only

avenue of approach to the iron and copper regions, and pineries of our northern borders. Its speedy completion is essential to secure the benefits of that trade for this state, and to open up and develop a most valuable portion of Wisconsin hitherto unapproachable.

This company, though delayed by public calamities and national misfortunes, has diligently prosecuted its enterprise and built about three hundred and twelve miles of railroad, but has not yet finished the same to Lake Superior, and has only earned a portion of its land grant. Its term of exemption from taxation upon these lands has already expired, and as the annual taxes are more than they could possibly receive from the sales of land in any one year, unless this bill passes they will lose the main consideration for which they have invested so much money in this state.

The company has made a great outlay of private capital in the construction of this railroad, in the belief that the state would fulfill the intention and purpose of the charter and land grant, and conform to the custom heretofore adopted in the state under all similar circumstances, and allow the company a reasonable time for the sale of its lands before they should become subject to taxation.

It would seem that good faith requires the state to stand by this company and grant them what they now ask; and certainly when it is borne in mind how much railroad they have built, what difficulties they have overcome, and in what trying times they have pushed on their enterprise, it would seem that they should have the same treatment hitherto accorded to other railroad companies.

As this bill also compels the company to pay into the state treasury, the license fees from the payment of which the company is now exempted, the favor they ask will not be a burden, except, perhaps, to those who are largely benefited by the railroad, many of whom petitioned for the passage of this bill. This measure will actually put a large amount of money into the state treasury, which it does not now receive. For these and other reasons, the committee unanimously recommends the passage of this bill.

D. P. HULL,
Chairman.

DAVID TRUELL,
P. JOHNSTON,
H. FLINN,
SAM'L CROCKETT.

The Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows:

No. 84, A.,

A bill to amend section 6, of chapter 141, of the Revised Statutes, of actions for the recovery of real property.

With amendment, and recommend its passage when so amended.

D. P. HULL,
Chairman.

The Joint Committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions have had the following bills under consideration and report the same back as follows:

No. 3, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the state prison a sum of money therein named to reimburse the prison for goods furnished other state institutions, and to pay indebtedness incurred in making new roofs.

And recommend its concurrence.

No. 57, A.,

A bill to make Good Friday a legal holiday.

And recommend that it be indefinitely postponed.

S. T. MERRILL,

Chairman.

REPORT OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

The Select Committee to whom was referred

No. 297, A.,

Entitled "a bill to provide for a more accurate and complete collection and publication of statistics,"

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that the same be printed and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

JOHN LUCHSINGER,

Chairman.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times, and referred.

By Mr. Sylvester:

No. 383, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 315, general laws of 1875, entitled "an act to provide for uniformity and the free use of text books in towns and cities."

To Select Committee. (Mr. Sylvester.)

By Mr. Baldwin:

No. 384, A.,

A bill to amend section 2, of chapter 329, of the laws of 1874, entitled "an act for the preservation of game in the State of Wisconsin."

To Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Kast:

No. 385, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 449, of the private and local laws of 1869, entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Oconto, and acts amendatory thereof."

To Committee on Incorporations.

By Mr. Burdett:

No. 286, A.

A bill to exempt the lands of the North Western Railway Company from taxation.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Johnston:

No. 287, A.

A bill relating to highways and bridges, and amendatory of section 26, chapter 152 of the laws of the State of Wisconsin, 3d 1869.

To Committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Wannemaker:

No. 288, A.

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the town of Marietta, Crawford county.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Rice:

No. 289, A.

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 263, of the general laws of 1873, entitled "act to amend chapter 58 of the Revised Statutes, and the act amendatory thereto, entitled 'of weights and measures.'"

To Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Hulburt:

No. 290, A.

A bill to appropriate to Dennis Phelan and Adelia Hills, a sum of money therein named.

To Select Committee of one. (Mr. Hulburt.)

By Mr. Arnot:

No. 291, A.

A bill to repeal chapter 313 of the private and local laws of 1869, relating to certain overflowed and swamp lands in the county of Portage.

To Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Field:

No. 292, A.

A bill to appropriate to St. Luke's Hospital of Racine, five hundred dollars.

To Committee on Claims.

By Mr. Levens:

No. 293, A.

A bill relating to the charter of the city of Neenah and amendatory of chapter 151, laws of 1873, and all acts amendatory thereto.

To Winnebago County Delegation.

By Mr. Newman:

No. 294, A.

A bill making appropriations to agricultural societies and industrial societies.

To Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Vance :

No. 395, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the Milwaukee Industrial School a sum of money therein named.

To Committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. Vance :

No. 396, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the St. Rose Asylum, of Milwaukee, a sum of money therein named.

To Committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. Vance :

No. 397, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the Home of the Friendless, of Milwaukee, a sum of money therein named.

To Committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. Vance :

No. 398, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the St. Emelianus Orphan Asylum a sum of money therein named.

To Committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. Vance :

No. 399, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the St. Joseph Orphan Asylum, of Milwaukee, a sum of money therein named.

To Committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. Vance :

No. 400, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the Orphans' Association of Milwaukee, a sum of money therein named.

To Committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. Vance :

No. 401, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money to the St. John's Home, in Milwaukee.

To Committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. Touhey :

No. 402, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 77, of laws of 1876, entitled "an act relating to the second county court of Brown county," and amendatory of sections 4 and 5, of chapter 9, of laws of 1875.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Senn :

No. 403, A.,

A bill relating to the registration of votes.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Thornton :

No. 404, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the St. Nazian Society of Manitowoc, a sum of money herein named.

To Committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. Gœtze :

No. 405, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 176, of the general laws of 1872, entitled "an act to provide for the government of the Wisconsin Hospital for the Insane," approved April 1, 1872.

To Committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. Cash :

No. 406, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 407 of the general laws of the year 1876, and amend section 2 of chapter 89 of the general laws of 1872.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Phillips :

No. 407, A.,

A bill relating to exemptions.

To Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Phillips :

No. 408, A.,

A bill to amend the charter of the Portage and Madison Railroad Company.

To Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Newman :

No. 409, A.,

A bill to authorize societies of Free Masons, Odd Fellows, Herman Sons, and Sons of Temperance or Patrons of Husbandry, and other similar societies to hold property.

To Select Committee of one. (Mr. Newman.)

By Mr. Knapp :

No. 410, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the Winnebago County Agricultural Society a sum therein named.

To Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Carmichael :

No. 411, A.,

A bill relating to and amendatory of chapter 167 general laws of the year 1864, entitled "an act to establish lumber districts in this state, and to regulate the traffic in logs, timber and lumber in said district.

To a Select Committee of one, (Mr. Carmichael.)

By Mr. Carmichael :

No. 412, A.,

A bill relating to and amendatory of chapter 183 private and local laws of the year 1874, entitled "an act relating to the police court of Eau Claire.

Select Committee of one, (Mr. Carmichael.)

By Mr. Anderson :

No. 413, A.,

A bill relating to the catching of Fish in the Pecatonica river, in Lafayette county.

To Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Johnson :

No. 414, A.,

A bill relating to railroads and amendatory of section 7 of chapter 57 of laws of Wisconsin for 1876.

To Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Kelley :

No. 415, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Cadle Home, of Green Bay, five hundred dollars.

To Committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. Vincent :

No. 416, A.,

A bill to authorize Chippewa County to issue bonds for a certain purpose.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. W. E. Carter :

No. 417, A.,

A bill relating to the Supreme Court, and amendatory of chapter 284 of the laws of 1876.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. W. E. Carter :

No. 418, A.,

A bill relating to the foreclosure of mortgages.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Hubbard :

No. 419, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money therein named.

To Committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. Hyde:

No. 420, A.,

A bill in relation to tax deeds, and amendatory of chapter 181, general laws of 1872, entitled "an act to amend section one of chapter 44, general laws of 1870, entitled 'an act to amend section one of chapter 113, of the general laws of 1867.'"

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Maxwell :

No. 421, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 26, of the general laws of 1871, relating to town and town officers.

To Committee on State Affairs..

By Mr. Vance :

No. 422, A.

A bill to amend chapter 47, of the general laws of 1871, entitled

"an act to amend chapter 107 of the private and local laws of 1867, entitled 'an act to authorize the appointment of phonographic reporters in the circuit courts of the counties of Milwaukee and Kenosha.'"

To Milwaukee County Delegation.

By Mr. Hulburt:

No. 423, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the Zion's Society of the county of Sauk a sum of money therein named.

To Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Burnett:

No. 424, A.,

A bill to provide for laying out and establishing a state road from the village of Stockholm, in Pepin county, to Rock Elm Center, in Pierce county, via Plum City.

To Committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Pierce:

No. 425, A.,

A bill to authorize the county board of supervisors of the county of Adams to sell and dispose of all the lands owned by said county for the purpose therein set forth.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Pierce:

No. 426, A.,

A bill in relation to the support of paupers, and to confer certain powers on the officers therein named.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. W. J. Fisk:

No. 427, A.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 121 of the general laws of 1856, entitled "an act concerning railroads."

Select committee of one. (W. J. Fisk.)

By Mr. W. J. Fisk:

No. 428, A.,

A bill relating to trespass upon lands granted by Congress to the state to aid in constructing railroads.

Select committee of one, (W. J. Fisk.)

By Mr. Hyde:

No. 429, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the Sailors' Home of Milwaukee a sum of money therein named.

Select committee of one, (Mr. Hyde.)

By Mr. Seymour:

No. 430, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money therein named.

To Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Johnston:

No. 431, A.,

A bill to change the name of William Richard Clancy, and to legalize certain acts.

To Select Committee of one, Mr. (Johnston.)

By Mr. Wright:

No. 432, A.,

A bill relating to school district treasurers.

To Committee on Education.

By Mr. Johnson;

No. 433, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 96, of the laws of Wisconsin, for the year 1876, an act entitled "an act in relation to attorney's fees in justice court."

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Ringle:

No. 434, A.,

A bill to amend section 2, of chapter 222, general laws of 1874, entitled "an act to amend, aid, and revise the charter of the city Wausau."

To Select Committee of one. (Mr. Ringle.)

By Mr. Fink:

No. 435, A.,

A bill to amend section 2, chapter 192, of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act in relation to justices of the peace and constables in the city of Milwaukee."

To Milwaukee City Delegation.

By Mr. Fink:

No. 436, A.,

A bill providing for the letting of the official printing of Milwaukee county.

To Milwaukee County Delegation.

By Mr. Spence:

No. 437, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the Home of the Friendless, at Fond du Lac, a sum of money therein named.

To Committee on Charitable and Penal Institution.

By Mr. Spence:

No. 438, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Peter Salentine a sum of money therein named.

To Committee on Claims.

By Mr. Spence:

No. 439, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Henry Fink a sum of money therein named.

To Committee on Claims.

By Mr. Spence:

No. 440, A.,

A bill relating to the bringing of actions for penalties, and appeals in such actions,

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Spence:

No. 441, A.,

A bill to require notice of application for tax deeds in certain cases.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Spence:

No. 442, A.,

A bill for an act to provide for the holding of circuit court in the county wherein the judge thereof resides, by the judge of another circuit.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Spence:

No. 443, A.,

A bill to amend section 3, of chapter 121, of the laws of 1868, as amended by chapter 54, of the laws of 1871.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Johnson:

No. 444, A.,

A bill relating to preservation of fish in Sugar river.

Select Committee of one. (Mr. Johnson.)

By Mr. Hubbard:

No. 445, A.,

A bill to settle the indebtedness of the town of Lyndon.

To Select Committee of one. (Mr. Hubbard.)

By Mr. Hubbard:

No. 446, A.,

A bill relating to telegraph companies.

To Select Committee of one. (Mr. Hubbard.)

By Mr. Ries:

No. 447, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the religious associations of Milwaukee a sum of money therein named.

To Committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. Van Waters:

No. 448, A.,

A bill to appropriate certain sums of money to each subordinate grange in the State of Wisconsin.

To Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. P. Baldwin:

No. 449, A.

A bill to amend section 2, of chapter 385, of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act to lay out, open, and establish a state road at or near Jenny, in Lincoln county, to Westboro, in Taylor county, and

to intersect the new Yellow river road, in Chippewa county, at a point on the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of section 5, town 32, range 5, west."

To Committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Spence:

No. 450, A.,

A bill in relation to service of summons in actions against telegraph companies.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Spence:

No. 451, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money therein named.

To Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Arnot:

No. 452, A.,

A bill to revise, consolidate and amend the charter of the city of Stevens Point, approved May 17, 1858, and the general laws amendatory thereof.

To Committee on Incorporations.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By A. J. TURNER, Chief Clerk thereof:

MR. PRESIDENT:—I am directed to inform you that the Senate has passed and asks the concurrence of the Assembly in

No. 171, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 135, of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act to revise, consolidate and amend the charter of the city of LaCrosse, approved February 19, 1869, and the several acts amendatory thereof," approved March 7, 1876.

M. C. No. 1, S.,

For increased mail service in the northern portion of Sauk county.

M. C. No. 2, S.,

For an appropriation to aid in the completion of the Sturgeon Bay and Lake Michigan Ship Canal and Harbor, and to extend the time for the completion thereof.

Jt. Res. No. 7, S.,

Relating to reports of State Board of Health.

And has concurred in

No. 51, A.,

A bill to reduce the rate of interest on bonds hereafter issued by the city of Milwaukee, under section 23, chapter 311, laws of 1876.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

No. 171, S.,

Was read a first and second times, rules suspended, read a third time and concurred in by the Assembly.

M. C. No. 1, S.,

Was read a first and second time and referred to Committee on Federal Relations.

M. C. No. 2, S.,

Was read a first and second time, rules suspended, read a third time and concurred in by the Assembly.

Jt. Res. No. 7, S.,

Was read a first and second times and laid over under the rules.

On motion of Mr. Ringle,
The Assembly adjourned.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1877.

The Assembly met,

The Speaker in the chair.

Prayer by the Rev. L. Y. Hays.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names :

Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, De-land, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Greening, Grover, Götze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker—94.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Scheuber, Gray, Wright and Marx—4.

Absent—Mr. Dailey—1.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Was granted to Messrs Dailey and Wedig, till Tuesday morning.
To Messrs. Ringle and Anderson, till Tuesday evening.

To Mr. Lindsay, after morning session, till Wednesday morning.

To Mr. H. J. Fisk, indefinitely.

To Messrs. Blakeslee and Vincent, (after morning session) till Monday evening.

To Mr. Mohr, (after morning session) till Monday.

The Speaker announced that he had placed Mr. Fink on the Committee on Federal Relations, in place of Mr. Salentine.

Mr. Spence moved that when the Assembly adjourn, it do adjourn until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock A. M.

Carried.

MEMORIALS PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. Pierce:

Mem. No. 104, A.,

Petition of I. C. Post and 12 others, asking that the Wisconsin Central Railroad Company be exempted from taxation on its land grant for five years longer.

To General File.

By Mr. Cash:

Mem. No. 105, A.,

Petition of I. D. Droppell and 11 others, asking that the Wisconsin Central Railroad be exempted for five years longer from taxation on its land grant.

To General File.

By Mr. Truell:

Mem. No. 106, A.,

Petition of A. Antisdale and 15 others, asking that the Wisconsin Central Railroad Company be exempted from taxation on its land grant for five years longer.

To General File.

By Mr. Pierce:

Mem. No. 107, A.,

Petition of S. A. Bradley and 14 others, asking that the Wisconsin Central Railroad Company be exempt from taxation on its land grant for five years longer.

To General File.

By Mr. Kast:

Mem. No. 108, A.,

Petition of C. H. Ball and eight others, asking that the Wisconsin Central Railroad Company be exempt from taxation on its land grant for five years longer.

To General File.

By Mr. Anderson:

Mem. No. 109, A.,

Petition of E. C. Hubbard and six others, asking that the Wisconsin Central Railroad Company be exempted for five years longer from taxation on its land grant.

To General File.

By Mr. Johnston:

Mem. No. 110, A.,

Petition of Benjamin Webster and ten others, asking that the Wisconsin Central Railroad Company be exempted from taxation for five years longer, on its land grant.

To General File.

By Mr. Carmichael:

Mem. No. 111, A.,

Petition of Eugene Hotchkiss and fifteen others, asking that the Wisconsin Central Railroad Company be exempt from taxation for five years longer on its land grant.

To General File.

By Mr. Carmichael:

Mem. No. 112, A.,

Petition of Jas. B. Erwin and others, asking that the Wisconsin Central Railroad Company be exempted from taxation on its land grant for five years longer.

To the General File.

By Mr. Flanders:

Mem. No. 113, A.,

Petition of W. P. Bishop and nine others, asking that the Wisconsin Central Railroad Company be exempted for five years longer from taxes on its land grant.

To the General File.

By Mr. Flanders:

Mem. No. 114, A.,

Petition of W. Kendrick and nine others, asking that the Wisconsin Central Railroad Company be exempted for five years on its land grant.

To the General File.

By Mr. Kast:

Mem. No. 115, A.,

A petition of C. D. Kendrick and 11 others, asking that the Wisconsin Central Railroad Company, be exempted for five years longer from taxes on its land grant.

To the General File.

By Mr. Kast:

Mem. No. 116, A.,

Petition of T. A. Chapman and 11 others, asking that the Wisconsin Central Railroad Company be exempted for five years longer from taxes on its land grant.

To the General File.

By Mr. Lindsay:

Mem. No. 117, A.,

Remonstrance of R. F. Conly and other citizens of the county of Wood against the exemption of the Wisconsin Central Railroad Company's lands from taxation.

To the General File.

By Mr. Knapp :

Mem. No. 118, A.,
Remonstrance of O. Beach and forty others, against extending the exemption from taxation of the Wisconsin Central Railroad lands.

To General File.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Bailey :

Jt. Res. No. 25, A.,

Resolved by the Assembly, the Senate concurring, That this legislature stand adjourned sine die at 12 o'clock, M., on Monday, February 19th, 1877.

Laid over under the rules.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 7, S.,

• Relating to report of State Board of Health.

Was concurred in by the Assembly.

On motion of Mr. Newman :

No. 394, A.,

Was withdrawn from the Committee on Agriculture, and re-committed to the Committee on Claims.

On motion of Mr. Spence,

No. 437, A.,

Was withdrawn from Committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions, and re-committed to Committee on Claims.

Also,

No. 451, A.,

Was withdrawn from Committee on Agriculture and re-committed to Committee on Claims.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Militia have had under consideration the following joint resolution, and report the same back as follows:

No. 24, A.,

Relating to the war eagle, "Old Abe,"

And recommend its adoption.

FLORIAN J. RIES,
Chairman.

The Committee on Public Improvements have had under consideration

No 142, A.,

To amend chapter 220 of the laws of Wisconsin, approved March 9th, 1876, entitled "an act to improve the south branch of the Eau Claire river and its tributaries, in Clark county."

No. 144, A.,

To amend chapter 219 of the laws of Wisconsin, approved March 9th, 1876, entitled "an act to improve the north branch of the Eau Claire river, in the county of Clark."

And recommend the passage of the same.

SAMUEL BLACK,
Chairman.

ASSEMBLY BILLS ON THIRD READING.

No. 29, A.,

A bill to establish and maintain a ferry across Lake Pepin and Mississippi river, from Pepin in the county of Pepin.

Was re-committed to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

No. 48, A.,

A bill in relation to fees of county judges, and to repeal chapter 123, of the laws of 1871, and amendatory of section 2, chapter 121, laws of 1868.

And,

No. 58, A.,

A bill for the limitation of tax certificates owned by counties and municipal corporations.

Were severally read a third time and passed.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE LAYING OVER CONSIDERED.

No. 74, A.,

A bill relating to the taxation of lands of the West Wisconsin Railway Company, and amendatory of section one, of chapter 104, of the laws of this state for the year 1870.

Mr. W. J. Fisk moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

Mr. W. E. Carter moved the previous question, and the main question was ordered by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Abell, Arnold, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Deland, Dixon, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Leavens, Luchsinger, Maxwell, McCollum, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Sarnow, Seymour, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance,

Vincent, Wall, Wannemaker, Wedig, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker—72.

Noes—Messrs. B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Dale, Dorwin, Flanders, Flinn, Hubbard, Johnson, Linderman, McCarty, Mohr, Roche, Senn, Tisch, Van Waters, Weeks—16.

The question recurring on the motion of Mr. W. J. Fisk, to indefinitely postpone the bill, the motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Abell, Arnold, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Burnett, Cash, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Deland, Dixon, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Leavens, Luchsinger, Maxwell, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Pierce, Phillips, Ries, Rice, Roche, Sarnow, Shepard, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker—72.

Noes—Messrs. Black, Brost, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Dorwin, H. J. Fisk, Hubbard, Johnson, Linderman, Owen, Pope, Senn, Seymour, Shufelt, Wyatt—16.

SPECIAL ORDER.

The hour for the special order having arrived, being

Jt. Res. No. 19, A.,

It was on motion of Mr. Fink, committed to Select Committee, composed of Messrs Dousman, Spence and Blakeslee.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE LAYING OVER, RESUMED.

Substitute bill for Nos. 2 and 20, A.,

Ordered printed.

No. 5, S.,

Rules suspended, read a third time and concurred in by the Assembly.

Jt. Res. No. 11, A.,

Was indefinitely postponed.

M. C. No. 2, A.,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

M. C. No. 1, A.,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 4, A.,

Was indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. Brooks,

The Assembly adjourned till Saturday, at 9 A. M.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1877.

Assembly met.

The Speaker in the chair.

The roll was called, and the following members present:

Messrs. Abeil, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Beck, Brooks, Burnett, Cash, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Fink, Field, Flanders, Flinn, Greening, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, McCollum, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Neuhauser, Pierce, Phillips, Ries, Rice, Sarnow, Seymour Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Truell, Vance, Van Waters, Wall, Wannemaker, Weeks, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker—66.

Absent on Leave—Messrs. Anderson, Blakeslee, Dailey, H. J. Fisk, Lindsay, Marx, Mohr, Ringle, Scheuber, Vincent, Wedig, Gray and Wright—12.

Absent—Messrs. Arnold, Arnot, Brost, B. F. Carter, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, Fitzgerald, Grover, Götze, Hubbard, Keogh, Knowlton, McCarty, Newman, Owen, Pope, Senn, Shepard, Touhey, Walker—20.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Was granted to Messrs. Fitzgerald, McCarty, Keogh, Senn, till Monday morning.

To Messrs. Shepherd, B. F. Carter, Knowlton, Arnold and W. J. Fisk, till Monday evening.

To Messrs. Grover and Pope, till Tuesday morning.

To Mr. Touhey, till Monday evening.

Mr. Luchsinger moved that when the Assembly adjourn it do adjourn until Monday evening at 7:30 P. M.

Carried.

COMMUNICATIONS.

EAU CLAIRE, Wis., February 2d, 1877.

To the Honorable, the Legislature of Wisconsin:

In accordance with the requirements of the law, I have to report to your honorable body that the amount of lumber manufactured in Lumber District No. 3, during the season of 1876, was 80,791,-362 feet board measure.

GEO. W. DEMING,
Lumber Inspector District No. 3.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 25, A.,
Fixing day for final adjournment,
Was referred to Committee on Judiciary.
Jt. Res. No. 24, A.,
Relating to the war eagle, "Old Abe,"
Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Pierce,
No. 69, A.,
Was taken from general file, and recommitted to Committee on Judiciary.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Judiciary have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows:

No. 168, A.,

A bill relating to and amendatory of chapter 16, of the private and local laws for the year 1872, entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Eau Claire.

Without amendment, and recommend its passage.

No. 146, A.,

A bill to provide for an abstract of tax titles in the county of Waushara, and amendatory of chapter 123, private and local laws of 1867.

No. 64, A.,

A bill relating to certain offenses, and amendatory of section five (5) of chapter 170 of the Revised Statutes.

Without amendments, and passage recommended.

No. 5, A.,

A bill to amend section 44, of chapter 165, of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of offenses against property," and the act amendatory thereof.

With the recommendation that the pending amendments be adopted, and that the same be passed with amendments.

No. 98, A.

A bill relating to notices of title.

No. 92, A.

A bill to regulate the practice in certain cases.

With amendments and recommendation of passage with amendments.

No. 150, A.

A bill relating to change, charter and amendment of section 15 of chapter 152 of the private and local laws of 1871, to amend the charter of the village of Genoa.

No. 144, A.

To repeal chapter 67 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1871, entitled "an act to authorize the taking of fish in the public waters of the state for the purpose of artificial propagation."

No. 152, A.

A bill to legalize the action of the board of supervisors of the county of Barron in relation to the salary of district attorney.

With amendments and recommend that each of said bills be indefinitely postponed.

CARL C. POPE,

Cl. Secy.

The Committee on Engraved Bills have had under consideration the following bills and report the same back correctly engraved:

No. 59, A.

A bill relating to witness fees in courts of record and amendatory of chapter 146 of laws of 1869.

No. 75, A.

A bill to repeal chapter 27 of the laws of 1873, entitled an act to amend chapter 423, private and local laws of 1871, entitled an act to authorize the county clerk of Door county to make and keep an abstract of tax sales, deeds and redemptions in said county and to revise said chapter 423.

No. 76, A.

A bill relating to the office of county, town and municipal corporation treasurers.

No. 80, A.

A bill relating to authorizing the commissioners of school and university lands to loan a portion of the trust funds of the state to the county of Racine, and amendatory of chapter one hundred and seven (107) of the general laws of 1876.

No. 19, A.

A bill legalizing the proceedings of school district, No. 1, town of El Paso, Pierce county.

No. 53, A.,

A bill relating to justice courts, and amendatory of section 218, of chapter 120, of revised statutes.

W. R. HERRON,
Chairman.

The Committee on Town and County Organization have had under consideration the following bills, and instruct me to report the same back as follows :

No. 27, A.,

A bill to detach certain territory from the town of Orion, and attach the same to the town of Eagle, in the County of Richland.

With amendment, and passage recommended when so amended,
Also, bill

No. 121, A.,

A bill relating to the distraining of cattle doing damage, and amendatory of section 1, of chapter 51, of the Revised Statutes.

And recommend that the same do pass.

Also, bill

No. 89, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 404 of the laws of 1876, relating to counties and county officers.

And recommend its indefinite postponement.

H. P. LEAVENS,
Chairman.

The Committee on Lumber and Manufactures, have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows :

No. 101, A.,

A bill to authorize D. W. Tupper and Geo. E. Tupper and their associates, to improve Tupper's Creek for log driving purposes.

And report it back without amendment, and recommend its passage.

E. BURNETT,
Chairman.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By A. J. TURNER, Chief Clerk thereof:

Mr. Speaker:—I am directed to inform you that the Senate has passed and asks the concurrence of the Assembly in

No. 57, S.,

A bill to authorize Peter Wilkinson, Ignez Steinmetz, William Owen, Amos Johnson, Darius Palmer, and others, to erect and maintain a dam across Leach Creek, in Sauk county.

No. 79, S.,

A bill relating to actions against counties and cities on defective tax certificates and tax deeds, and amendatory of section 1, chapter 144, laws of 1874.

No. 203, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 313, of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act to revise, consolidate and amend the charter of the city of Racine, and the several acts amendatory thereof."

No. 176, S.,

A bill to repeal chapter 82, of the laws of Wisconsin of 1876, entitled "an act amendatory of chapter 72, of the private and local laws of 1858, relating to the city of Ripon."

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

No. 57, S.,

Read a first and second time and referred to Committee on Public Improvements.

No. 176, S.,

Read a first and second time, rules suspended, read a third time and concurred in by the Assembly.

No. 70, S.,

Read a first and second time and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

No. 203, S.,

Read a first and second time and referred to Committee on Incorporations.

On motion of Mr. Herron,

The Assembly resolved itself into a

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

On the General file of Bills,

Mr. Fink in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman reported as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: The Assembly, in Committee of the Whole, has had under consideration the general file of bills, has gone through with the same, and has instructed me to report the following bills to the Assembly for its consideration:

No. 106, A.,

A bill to provide for a state board of education, and for a uniformity of text-books, for the use of public schools throughout the state.

Without amendments.

No. 87, A.,

A bill relating to the geological survey of the State of Wisconsin,

and amendatory of chapter 292 of the general laws of 1873, entitled "an act to provide for a complete geological survey of Wisconsin," and to repeal chapter 137 of the general laws of 1870, entitled "an act to provide for the survey of the lead district, making maps and collecting statistics from the same," and chapter 136 of the general laws of 1872, amendatory thereof.

Without amendments.

No. 94, A.

A bill relating to and amendatory of section 2, of chapter 323, of the general laws of 1875, entitled "an act to authorize the establishment of and aid in the maintenance of free schools."

Without amendments.

No. 15, A.,

A bill relating to the terms of the several circuit courts of the Eleventh judicial circuit, petit juries therein, and authorizing the employment of a phonographic reporter therein, and fixing the compensation of said reporter.

Without amendments.

No. 3, A.,

A bill to amend an act to incorporate the Chamber of Commerce, of the city of Milwaukee, approved February 29, 1868.

Without amendments.

No. 67, A.,

A bill to authorize J. T. Mills, late judge of the Third judicial circuit, to retain certain books on payment therefor.

With amendments.

No. 91, A.,

A bill for an act to amend chapter 67, of the laws of Wisconsin, of the year 1876, entitled "an act to authorize the taking of fish in the public waters of the state, for the purpose of artificial propagation."

With amendments.

No. 38, S.,

A bill to fix the times for holding the general and special terms of the circuit court in the thirteenth judicial circuit.

With amendments.

No. 49, A.,

A bill relating to municipal aid in the construction of railroads, and to repeal section 3, chapter 289, of the laws of 1873.

Without amendments.

No. 61, A.,

A bill relating to fire departments, and amendatory of chapter 126, general laws of 1870.

With amendments.

No. 232, A.,

A bill to authorize the county board of supervisors of Milwaukee county to appropriate to Richard Rooney, late county treasurer, a certain sum of money.

No. 1, S.,

A bill relating to appeals from justices' courts and amendatory of section 216 of chapter 120 of the Revised Statutes of Wisconsin.

No. 30, A.,

A bill in relation to judgments and executions for wages for manual labor.

No. 40, A.,

In relation to beggars, vagrants and tramps.

No. 90, A.,

A bill to amend section 12, chapter 4 of chapter 337, private and local laws of 1871, entitled, "an act to revise, consolidate and amend the act to incorporate the city of Prescott, and the several acts amendatory thereof."

No. 8, S.,

A bill relating to court commissioners for Brown county.

No. 10, S.,

A bill relating to the issue of bonds in the county of Brown for the payment of outstanding indebtedness.

No. 13, S.,

A bill to authorize the appointment of a reporter for Kewaunee county circuit court.

No. 24, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of Joseph Mason, a justice of the peace of the county of Grant.

No. 78, A.,

A bill to confer civil jurisdiction in the county court of Fond du Lac county.

No. 52, A.,

A bill amendatory of and supplementary to the charter of the city of Milwaukee.

No. 98, A.

A bill to appropriate to the Fish Commissioners of the State of Wisconsin a sum of money therein named.

M. C. No. 5, A.,

Memorial to congress, for the establishment of a mail route from Barron, the county seat of Barron county, Wisconsin, to the village of Sand Creek, in Dunn county, Wisconsin, via. Mooney's Mill, Sylvan Springs and Sand Creek.

No. 94, A.,

A bill relating to, and amendatory of section 2 of chapter 323, of the general laws of 1876, entitled "an act to authorize the establishment of, and aid in the maintenance of free schools."

No. 83, A.,

A bill regulating the width of highways in cases of suits for damages.

No. 21, A.,

A bill to provide for the payment of the fees of the clerks of the circuit and county courts in certain cases.

Each without amendments.

No. 55, A.,

A bill relating to fences and amendatory of section 1, of chapter 17, of the Revised Statutes for the year 1858, an act entitled "of fences and fence viewers, of pounds and the impounding of cattle."

No. 86, A.,

A bill relating to fees of jurors, and to amend chapter 280 of the general laws of 1874.

Each with amendments.

Jt. Res. No. 4, A.,

For the dating of pensions allowed by the United States government.

Without amendment.

No. 1, A.,

A bill to authorize the town of Mukwa, in the county of Wau-paca, to issue its corporate funds to settle its indebtedness to George F. and Sophia Hammond.

With a substitute.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE CONSIDERED,

No. 106, A.,

Was upon motion of Mr. Kelly, made [the special order for Tuesday next at 11 A. M.

No. 168, A.,

Was, on motion of Mr. Carmichael, taken from file, rules suspended, considered engrossed, read a third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Vance,
The Assembly adjourned.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 7:30 P. M., 1877.

The Assembly met,

The Speaker in the chair.

The roll was called and the following members present :

Messrs. Abell, Arnold, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Cash, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Weeks, Wright, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker.—78.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Anderson, Blakeslee, W. E. Carter, Dailey, Grover, Lindsay, Pope, Ringle, Vincent, H. J. Fisk, Wedig.—11.

Absent—Messrs. Arnot, Bennett, B. F. Carter, Goetze, Hulburt, Hyde, Keogh, Knowlton, Spence, Walker, Wyatt.—11.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Was granted to Messrs. Wyatt, Roche, Hulburt, Bennett, Keogh, Arnot, B. F. Carter, till Tuesday morning.

To Messrs. Hyde and Knowlton, till Tuesday evening.

To Mr. Spence, till Thursday morning.

MEMORIALS PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. Flinn:

Mem. No. 120, A.:

Petition of John Mair and 57 others, praying that bills No. 116 and 117 A., do pass.

To Committee on Judiciary.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Kelly :

Jt. Res. No. 26, A..

Resolved, by the Assembly, the Senate concurring, That the Joint Committee on Printing is hereby directed to make a report to the Senate and Assembly, next Wednesday morning, on joint resolution No. 16, A.

Adopted.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Insurance, Banks and Banking have had under consideration the following bill, and report the same back as follows :

No. 27, S.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 64, of the general laws of 1872, entitled "an act to provide for the enforcement of laws in certain cases."

And recommend that the same be concurred in.

D. VANCE,
Chairman.

The Committee on Roads and Bridges have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows :

No. 54, A.,

A bill relating to the assessment and collection of highway taxes in certain cases.

And recommend that it be indefinitely postponed.

No. 81, A.,

A bill relating to grading and turnpiking highways in this state.

With amendment, and recommend its passage when so amended.

No. 41, S.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 267, laws of 1873, relating to laying out highways.

And recommend that it be concurred in.

S. J. SEYMOUR,
Chairman.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

The Special Committee to whom was referred the memorial of Yates V. Beebe, asking pay for services as Lieutenant commanding 10th Battery Light Artillery, Wisconsin State Militia, beg leave to

With the recommendation that the pending amendments be adopted, and that the same do pass when so amended.

No. 68, A.,

A bill relating to notaries public.

No. 32, A.,

A bill to regulate the practice in certain cases.

With amendments and recommendation of passage when so amended.

No. 150, A.,

A bill relating to village charter and amendatory of section 15 of chapter 152 of the private and local laws of 1867, to amend the charter of the village of Geneva.

No. 141, A.,

To repeal chapter 67 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1876, entitled "an act to authorize the taking of fish in the public waters of the state for the purpose of artificial propagation."

No. 152, A.,

A bill to legalize the action of the board of supervisors of the county of Barron, in relation to the salary of district attorney.

Without amendments and recommend that each of said bills be indefinitely postponed.

CARL C. POPE,
Chairman.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills have had under consideration the following bills and report the same back correctly engrossed:

No. 59, A.,

A bill relating to witness fees in courts of record and amendatory of chapter 146 of laws of 1869.

No. 75, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 27 of the laws of 1875, entitled an act to amend chapter 423, private and local laws of 1871, entitled an act to authorize the county clerk of Door county to make and keep an abstract of tax sales, deeds and redemptions in said county and to revise said chapter 423.

No. 76, A.,

A bill relating to the office of county, town and municipal corporation treasurers.

No. 80, A.,

A bill relating to authorizing the commissioners of school and university lands to loan a portion of the trust funds of the state to the county of Racine, and amendatory of chapter one hundred and seven (107) of the general laws of 1876.

No. 19, A.,

A bill legalizing the proceedings of school district, No. 1, town of El Paso, Pierce county.

No. 53, A.,

A bill relating to justice courts, and amendatory of section 218, of chapter 120, of revised statutes.

W. R. HERRON,
Chairman.

The Committee on Town and County Organization have had under consideration the following bills, and instruct me to report the same back as follows :

No. 27, A.,

A bill to detach certain territory from the town of Orion, and attach the same to the town of Eagle, in the County of Richland.

With amendment, and passage recommended when so amended,
Also, bill

No. 121, A.,

A bill relating to the distraining of cattle doing damage, and amendatory of section 1, of chapter 51, of the Revised Statutes.

And recommend that the same do pass.

Also, bill

No. 89, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 404 of the laws of 1876, relating to counties and county officers.

And recommend its indefinite postponement.

H. P. LEAVENS,
Chairman.

The Committee on Lumber and Manufactures, have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows :

No. 101, A.,

A bill to authorize D. W. Tupper and Geo. E. Tupper and their associates, to improve Tupper's Creek for log driving purposes.

And report it back without amendment, and recommend its passage.

E. BURNETT,
Chairman.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By A. J. TURNER, Chief Clerk thereof:

Mr. Speaker:—I am directed to inform you that the Senate has passed and asks the concurrence of the Assembly in

No. 57, S.,

A bill to authorize Peter Wilkinson, Ignez Steinmetz, William Owen, Amos Johnson, Darius Palmer, and others, to erect and maintain a dam across Leach Creek, in Sauk county.

No. 70, S.,

A bill relating to actions against counties and cities on defective tax certificates and tax deeds, and amendatory of section 1, chapter 144, laws of 1874.

No. 203, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 313, of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act to revise, consolidate and amend the charter of the city of Racine, and the several acts amendatory thereof."

No. 176, S.,

A bill to repeal chapter 82, of the laws of Wisconsin of 1876, entitled "an act amendatory of chapter 72, of the private and local laws of 1858, relating to the city of Ripon."

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

No. 57, S.,

Read a first and second time and referred to Committee on Public Improvements.

No. 176, S.,

Read a first and second time, rules suspended, read a third time and concurred in by the Assembly.

No. 70, S.,

Read a first and second time and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

No. 203, S.,

Read a first and second time and referred to Committee on Incorporations.

On motion of Mr. Herron,

The Assembly resolved itself into a

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

On the General file of Bills,

Mr. Fink in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman reported as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: The Assembly, in Committee of the Whole, has had under consideration the general file of bills, has gone through with the same, and has instructed me to report the following bills to the Assembly for its consideration:

No. 106, A.,

A bill to provide for a state board of education, and for a uniformity of text-books, for the use of public schools throughout the state.

Without amendments.

No. 87, A.,

A bill relating to the geological survey of the State of Wisconsin,

and amendatory of chapter 292 of the general laws of 1873, entitled "an act to provide for a complete geological survey of Wisconsin," and to repeal chapter 137 of the general laws of 1870, entitled "an act to provide for the survey of the lead district, making maps and collecting statistics from the same," and chapter 136 of the general laws of 1872, amendatory thereof.

Without amendments.

No. 94, A.

A bill relating to and amendatory of section 2, of chapter 323, of the general laws of 1875, entitled "an act to authorize the establishment of and aid in the maintenance of free schools."

Without amendments.

No. 15, A.,

A bill relating to the terms of the several circuit courts of the Eleventh judicial circuit, petit juries therein, and authorizing the employment of a phonographic reporter therein, and fixing the compensation of said reporter.

Without amendments.

No. 3, A.,

A bill to amend an act to incorporate the Chamber of Commerce, of the city of Milwaukee, approved February 29, 1868.

Without amendments.

No. 67, A.,

A bill to authorize J. T. Mills, late judge of the Third judicial circuit, to retain certain books on payment therefor.

With amendments.

No. 91, A.,

A bill for an act to amend chapter 67, of the laws of Wisconsin, of the year 1876, entitled "an act to authorize the taking of fish in the public waters of the state, for the purpose of artificial propagation."

With amendments.

No. 38, S.,

A bill to fix the times for holding the general and special terms of the circuit court in the thirteenth judicial circuit.

With amendments.

No. 49, A.,

A bill relating to municipal aid in the construction of railroads, and to repeal section 3, chapter 289, of the laws of 1873.

Without amendments.

No. 61, A.,

A bill relating to fire departments, and amendatory of chapter 126, general laws of 1870.

With amendments.

No. 232, A.,

A bill to authorize the county board of supervisors of Milwaukee county to appropriate to Richard Rooney, late county treasurer, a certain sum of money.

No. 1, S.,

A bill relating to appeals from justices' courts and amendatory of section 216 of chapter 120 of the Revised Statutes of Wisconsin.

No. 30, A.,

A bill in relation to judgments and executions for wages for manual labor.

No. 40, A.,

In relation to beggars, vagrants and tramps.

No. 90, A.,

A bill to amend section 12, chapter 4 of chapter 337, private and local laws of 1871, entitled, "an act to revise, consolidate and amend the act to incorporate the city of Prescott, and the several acts amendatory thereof."

No. 8, S.,

A bill relating to court commissioners for Brown county.

No. 10, S.,

A bill relating to the issue of bonds in the county of Brown for the payment of outstanding indebtedness.

No. 13, S.,

A bill to authorize the appointment of a reporter for Kewaunee county circuit court.

No. 24, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of Joseph Mason, a justice of the peace of the county of Grant.

No. 78, A.,

A bill to confer civil jurisdiction in the county court of Fond du Lac county.

No. 52, A.,

A bill amendatory of and supplementary to the charter of the city of Milwaukee.

No. 98, A.

A bill to appropriate to the Fish Commissioners of the State of Wisconsin a sum of money therein named.

M. C. No. 5, A.,

Memorial to congress, for the establishment of a mail route from Barron, the county seat of Barron county, Wisconsin, to the village of Sand Creek, in Dunn county, Wisconsin, via. Mooney's Mill, Sylvan Springs and Sand Creek.

No. 94, A.,

A bill relating to, and amendatory of section 2 of chapter 323, of the general laws of 1876, entitled "an act to authorize the establishment of, and aid in the maintenance of free schools."

No. 83, A.,

A bill regulating the width of highways in cases of suits for damages.

No. 21, A.,

A bill to provide for the payment of the fees of the clerks of the circuit and county courts in certain cases.

Each without amendments.

No. 55, A.,

A bill relating to fences and amendatory of section 1, of chapter 17, of the Revised Statutes for the year 1858, an act entitled "of fences and fence viewers, of pounds and the impounding of cattle."

No. 86, A.,

A bill relating to fees of jurors, and to amend chapter 280 of the general laws of 1874.

Each with amendments.

Jt. Res. No. 4, A.,

For the dating of pensions allowed by the United States government.

Without amendment.

No. 1, A.,

A bill to authorize the town of Mukwa, in the county of Wau-paca, to issue its corporate funds to settle its indebtedness to George F. and Sophia Hammond.

With a substitute.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE CONSIDERED,

No. 106, A.,

Was upon motion of Mr. Kelly, made [the special order for Tuesday next at 11 A. M.

No. 168, A.,

Was, on motion of Mr. Carmichael, taken from file, rules suspended, considered engrossed, read a third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Vance,
The Assembly adjourned.

Jt. Res. No. 4, A.,
For the dating of pensions allowed by the United States government.

Was indefinitely postponed.

Upon motion of Mr. Hubbard,

The vote just taken, by which the resolution was indefinitely postponed, was reconsidered, and the further consideration of the resolution was postponed for the present.

On motion of Mr. Leavens,
The Assembly adjourned.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1877.

Assembly met,

The Speaker in the chair.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Winter, of St. Paul's Church.

The roll was called, and the following members present:

Messrs. Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Leavens, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Wannemaker, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker—88.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Anderson, B. F. Carter, H. J. Fisk, Hyde, Lindsay, Spence, Wedig—7.

Absent—Messrs. B. F. Carter, Grover, Gœtze, Walker—4.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted to Mr. Grover till Wednesday morning.

MEMORIALS PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. Cassoday:

Mem. No. 121, A.,

Remonstrance of members of the bar of Marathon county against

the passage of a bill to abolish and change the jurisdiction of the municipal court of said county.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Flanders:

Mem. No. 122, A.,

Remonstrance of John A. Dudd and 38 others, against annexation of property to second ward of Milwaukee.

To Milwaukee County Delegation.

By Mr. Flanders:

Mem. No. 123, A.,

Remonstrance of A. B. Mower and 91 other citizens of Milwaukee county, living on, and near the line of the Madison, Watertown & Milwaukee plank road, against making any part of said road a free highway.

To Milwaukee County Delegation.

By Mr. Kast:

Mem. No. 124, A.,

Remonstrance of F. J. Bartle and 132 others, against division of Oconto county.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Kast:

Mem. No. 125 A.,

Remonstrance of John Seegbee and 109 others, against division of Oconto county.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Kast:

Mem. No. 126, A.,

Remonstrance of John Dodge and 48 others, against the division of Oconto county.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Kast:

Mem. No. 127, A.,

Remonstrance of F. Wawnech and 115 others, against the division of Oconto county.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Kast:

Mem. No. 128, A.,

Remonstrance of F. D. Wilson and 105 others, against the division of Oconto county.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Kast:

Mem. No. 129, A.,

Remonstrance of F. Brazeau and 133 others, against the division of Oconto county.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Kast :

Mem. No. 130, A.,
Remonstrance of S. D. Newton and 84 others, against the division of Oconto county.
To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Kast :

Mem. No. 131, A.,
Remonstrance of Thomas Millard and 260 others, against the division of Oconto county.
To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Kast :

Mem. No. 132, A.,
Remonstrance of R. Gillette and 21 others, against the division of Oconto county.
To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Kast ;

Mem. No. 133, A.,
Remonstrance of B. J. Butterfield and 163 others, against the division of Oconto county.
To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Hamilton :

Mem. No. 134, A.,
Petition of common council of city of Milwaukee relating to semi-annual collection of taxes.
To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By A. J. TURNER, Chief Clerk thereof:

MR. PRESIDENT:—I am directed to inform you that the Senate has passed and asks the concurrence of the Assembly in

No. 25, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 53, general laws of 1858, entitled "an act for the formation and protection of county agricultural societies."

No. 45, S.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 211, of the laws of 1874, entitled "an act relating to the purchase of stationery."

No. 54, S.,

A bill to amend section 33, of chapter 133, of the Revised Statutes, "of costs and fees," as amended by section 1, of chapter 181, of the general laws of 1861.

No. 59, S.,

A bill to amend section 22, chapter 144, of the general laws of 1872, relating to the organization of corporations for manufacturing and other purposes.

No. 62, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 133, of the private and local laws of

1857, entitled "an act to consolidate and amend the act to incorporate the city of Kenosha," and the several acts amendatory thereof.

And has concurred in

No. 168, A.,

A bill relating to and amendatory of chapter 16, of the private and local laws for the year 1872, entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Eau Claire."

No. 36, A.,

A bill to enable the county of Jackson, to compromise its bonded indebtedness.

Jt. Res. No. 26, A.,

Instructing the Committee on Printing to report back Jt. Res. No 16, A.

And has amended, and concurred in as amended

Jt. Res. No. 23, A.,

For the appointment of a committee to investigate the accounts of the State Board of Centennial Managers,

And appointed as such committee, on the part of the Senate, Senators Richardson and Davis.

And has refused to concur in

No. 44, A.,

A bill relating to legal holidays, and amendatory of chapter 32, general laws of 1872.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Read first and second times and referred.

No. 25, S.,

To Committee on Agriculture.

No. 59, S.,

To Committee on Public Improvements.

No. 45, S.,

To Committee on Legislative Expenses.

No. 62, S.,

To Committee on Incorporations.

No. 54, S.,

To Committee on Judiciary.

SENATE BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

No. 8, S.,

A bill relating to court commissioners for Brown county.

No. 38, S.,

A bill to fix the time for holding the general and special terms of the circuit court, in the Thirteenth judicial district.

No. 13, S.,

A bill to authorize the appointment of a reporter for Kewaunee county circuit court.

Were severally read a third time and concurred in.

No. 10, S.,

A bill relating to the issue of bonds in the county of Brown for the payment of outstanding indebtedness.

Was concurred in by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Abell, Arnold, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Greening, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelley, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Leavens, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Rics, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker.—86.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE LAYING OVER CONSIDERED.

On motion of Mr. Herron,

No. 21, A.,

A bill to provide for the payment of the fees of the clerks of the circuit and county courts in certain cases.

Was indefinitely postponed.

No. 52, A.,

A bill amendatory of and supplementary to the charter of the city of Milwaukee.

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Pierce,

The Assembly resolved itself into a

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

On the General File of Bills,

Mr. Luchsinger in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman reported as follows:

MR. SPEAKER:—The Assembly, in Committee of the Whole, has had under consideration the General File of Bills, has made some progress therein, and has instructed me to report the following bills to the Assembly for its consideration, and ask leave to sit again.

No. 57, A.,

A bill to make Good Friday a legal holiday.

Without amendments.

No. 38, A.,

A bill to fix the time for holding the general and special terms of the circuit court, in the thirteenth judicial circuits.

Without amendments.

No. 77, A.,

A bill relating to practice in justices' courts, and amendatory of section 3, chapter 120, Revised Statutes.

Without amendments.

No. 79, A.,

A bill relating to and amendatory of sections 61 and 82, of chapter 15, of the Revised Statutes, and section one, chapter 71 of the general laws of 1869.

With amendments.

No. 84, A.,

A bill to amend section 16, of chapter 141, of the Revised Statutes, of actions for the recovery of real property.

With amendment.

No. 93, A.,

A bill to suppress disorderly conduct and to provide a penalty therefor.

Without amendment.

No. 104, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of O. B. Stevens, a justice of the peace of the county of Shawano.

Without amendment.

No. 108, A.,

A bill for an act granting John L. Owen, his associates or assigns, to improve Nail Creek, in Chippewa county, Wisconsin, and to repeal chapter 262 of the laws of 1874, entitled "an act to improve Nail Creek, in Chippewa county."

Without amendment.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE CONSIDERED.

No. 38, A.,

A bill to regulate practice in certain cases.

No. 77, A.,

A bill relating to practice in justices' courts, and amendatory of section 3, chapter 120 of the Revised Statutes.

Were, on motion of Mr. Bock,

Indefinitely postponed.

No. 57, A.,

A bill to make "Good Friday" a legal holiday.

Was, on motion of Mr. Hulburt,

Indefinitely postponed.

No. 93, A.,

A bill to suppress disorderly conduct. and to provide a penalty therefor.

Was, on motion of Mr. Van Waters.

Indefinitely postponed.

No. 108, A.,

A bill granting to John L. Owen, his associates or as signs, to improve Nail Creek, in Chippewa county, Wisconsin, and to repeal chapter 262 of the laws of 1874. entitled "an act to improve Nail Creek in Chippewa county."

Was, on motion of Mr. Kelly.

Indefinitely postponed.

No. 84, A.,

A bill to amend section 6, of chapter 141, of the Revised Statutes, of actions for the recovery of real estate.

Was, on motion of Mr. Fink,

Re-committed to Committee on Judiciary.

No. 79, A.,

A bill relating to, and amendatory of sections 61 and 82, chapter 15, Revised Statutes, and section 1, chapter 71, general laws of 1869.

Was, on motion of Mr. Hubbard,

Laid on the table.

No. 104, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of O. B. Stevens, a justice of the peace of the county of Shawano.

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

SPECIAL ORDER.

The special order being

No. 106, A.,

A bill to provide for the state board of education, and for a uniformity of text-books for the use of public schools throughout the state.

Was, on motion of Mr. Kelly.

Discharged as the special order, and

Re-committed to Committee on Education.

On motion of Mr. Pope,

The Assembly resolved itself into a

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

On the General File of Bills,

Mr. Pope in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman reported as follows:

Mr. SPEAKER:

The Assembly, in Committee of the Whole, has had under consideration the General File of Bills, has made some progress therein, and has instructed me to report the following bills to the Assembly for its consideration:

No. 111, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of Wayne B. Dyer, a justice of the peace in the village of Durand, county of Pepin.

No. 120, A.,

A bill relating to the powers and duties of fish commissioners, and amendatory of sections 4 and 7, of chapter 307, of the general laws of 1876.

No. 133, A.,

A bill to regulate the times of holding court in Portage county.

No. 137, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 395 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1876, an act entitled "an act relating to hawkers and peddlers, and amendatory of chapter 72 of the laws of 1870."

No. 126, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 179 of the general laws of 1874, entitled "an act to consolidate and codify the various laws of our state relating to excise and the sale of intoxicating liquors."

No. 132, A.,

A bill in relation to the foreclosure of mortgages by advertisement.

No. 113, A.,

A bill to provide for the trial of actions wherein a circuit judge is disqualified.

No. 134, A.,

A bill relating to notices of trial and amendatory of chapter 132 of the Revised Statutes.

No. 64, A.,

A bill relating to certain offenses and amendatory of section five (5) of chapter 170 of the Revised Statutes.

Without amendments.

No. 4, S.,

A bill to extend the time of exemption from assessment and taxation of certain lands fixed in the act incorporating the Winnebago and Lake Superior Railroad Company, approved April 6, 1866, and in the act incorporating the Portage and Superior Railroad Company, approved April 9, 1866.

Pending consideration of which bill the Committee arose and asked leave to sit again.

On motion of Mr. Mohr,
The Assembly adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1877.

Assembly met,

The Speaker in the chair.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Winters.

The roll was called and the following members present :

Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhäuser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker.—97.

Absent on leave—W. E. Carter.—1.

Absent—Mr. Grover.—1.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Leave of absence was granted

To Mr. Grover indefinitely.

To Mr. Bailey (after the morning session) till Tuesday evening next.

The Speaker announced the appointment of Mr. Fink on the Committee on Engrossed Bills, in place of Mr. Innis, whose continued and serious illness would probably prevent his attendance on the session till near its close.

MEMORIALS PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. Linderman:

Mem. No. 135, A.,

Petition of J. C. Hackett, and others, in favor of vacating the

state road from Augusta, Eau Claire county, to Chippewa Falls, Chippewa county.

To Committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Arnot:

Mem. No. 136, A.,

Remonstrance of citizens against the exemption of the lands of the Central Railroad from exemption.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Flinn:

Mem. No. 137, A.,

Petition of Thomas Forkinbridge and 33 others praying that bills Nos. 116 and 117 A., do pass.

To Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Carmichael:

Mem. No. 138, A.,

Remonstrance of James Woodberry and others, against the passage of bill No. 256, A.

To Committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Kast:

Mem. No. 139, A.,

Petition of D. Clark Prescott and others, asking for the creation of the county of Wells.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Kast:

Mem. No. 140, A.,

Petition of George Woodhull and 130 others, for the creation of the county of Wells.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Kast:

Mem. No. 141, A.,

Petition of Caleb Williams and 72 others for the creation of the county of Wells.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Kast:

Mem. No. 142, A.,

Petition of Charles E. Ellis and 32 others asking for the creation of the county of Wells.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Kast:

Mem. No. 143, A.,

Petition of Peter Olson and 36 others for the creation of the county of Wells.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Kast:

Mem. No. 144, A.,

Petition of Fred. Carry and 102 others, asking for the creation of the county of Wells.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Kast:

Mem. No. 145, A.,

Preamble and resolutions adopted by the board of supervisors of the town of Marinette, Oconto county, urging the creation of the county of Wells.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Ringle:

Mem. No. 146, A.,

Remonstrance of A. Kickbush and 38 others, against the passage of act exempting the Wisconsin Central Railroad land from taxation.

To Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Ringle:

Mem. No. 147, A.,

Remonstrance of J. Koller and 53 others, against the exemption of the Wisconsin Central Railroad lands from taxation.

To Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Ringle:

Mem. 148, A.,

Remonstrance of John Gray of Marathon county, and 23 others, against the exemption of the Wisconsin Central Railroad lands from taxation.

To Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Ringle:

Mem. No. 150, A.,

Remonstrance of C. A. Single and 31 others, against exempting the Wisconsin Central Railroad from taxation.

To Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Ringle:

Mem. No. 151, A.,

Remonstrance of C. S. Parkill and 74 others against the exemption of the Wisconsin Central Railroad land for five years.

To Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Kast:

Mem. No. 152, A.,

Remonstrance of George Johnson and 51 others, against the division of Oconto county.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Kast:

Mem. No. 153, A.,

Remonstrance of William Lubey and 20 others, against the division of Oconto county.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Kast:

Mem. No. 154, A.,

Remonstrance of James Johnston and 20 others, against the division of Oconto county.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Kast :

Mem. No. 155, A.,

Remonstrance of Robert Dickson and 71 others, against the division of Oconto county.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Luchsinger :

Mem. No. 156, A.,

Memorial of the Wisconsin Natural History Association of Milwaukee, asking the enactment of a law for the protection of insectivorous birds.

To Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Ringle moved that bill No. 4, S., be taken from the General File and re-committed to the Committee on Railroads, together with the remonstrances, petitions and letters, referring to said bill.

Carried, and so referred.

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RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Luchsinger :

Res. No. 32, A.,

Resolved by the Assembly, That hereafter no member shall be allowed to speak more than ten minutes at a time, without unanimous consent.

To Committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Gray :

Jt. Res. No. 27, A.,

Resolved by the Assembly, the Senate concurring, That the state treasurer is hereby authorized to refund to the Mineral Point Railroad Company the amount paid in 1876, by said company, in excess of the license fee required by law.

Read first and second times, and referred to Committee on State Affairs.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED.

Res. No. 23, A.,

On motion of Mr. Bock, was amended as follows :

Amend by striking out in last line of Senate amendment, the words, "within five days," and insert "at the earliest day possible."

Amendment adopted, and concurred in as amended.

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Chairman.

The Committee on Education have had under consideration the following bills, and

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A bill to regulate the times of holding court in Portage county. Were severally ordered engrossed and read a third time.

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On motion of Mr. Pope, the further consideration of the same was postponed; and

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No. 64, A.,

A bill relating to certain offenses and amendatory of section five (5) of chapter 170 of the Revised Statutes.

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Hr. Hulburt,
The Assembly resolved itself into a

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

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Mr. Pierce in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman, reported as follows :

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Without amendment.

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With amendment.

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Without amendments and passage recommended.

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A bill to regulate the practice of medicine in this state.

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A bill to repeal the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1876, entitled "an act to authorize the taking of fish in the public waters of the state for the purpose of artificial propagation,"

Were, on motion of Mr. Hamilton, severally indefinitely postponed.

No. 41, S.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 267, laws of 1873, relating to laying out highways.

No. 27, S.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 64, of the general laws of

1872, entitled "an act to provide for the enforcement of laws in certain cases."

No. 3, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the state prison a sum of money therein named, to re-imburse the prison for goods furnished other state institutions, and to pay indebtedness incurred in making new roofs.

Were severally ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 81, A.,

A bill relating to grading and turnpiking highways and roads in this state.

No. 1, A.,

A bill to authorize the town of Mukwa, in the county of Wau-paca, to issue its corporate funds to settle its indebtedness to George F. and Sophia Hammond.

Were each ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Hubbard, the vote by which No. 81, A, was ordered engrossed and read a third time, was reconsidered.

And on motion of Mr. Luchsinger, No. 81, A., was recommitted to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

No. 32, A.,

A bill to regulate the practice in certain cases.

No. 5, A.,

A bill to amend section 44, of chapter 165 of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of offenses against property," and the acts amendatory thereof.

No. 68, A.,

A bill relating to notaries public

No. 27, A.,

A bill to detach certain territory from the town of Orion, and attach the same to the town of Eagle, in the County of Richland.

The amendments to each were adopted, and ordered engrossed, and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. W. J. Fisk, the use of the Assembly Chamber was granted to the Railroad Committee for the purpose of hearing arguments on the railroad bills, to-morrow afternoon.

On motion of Mr. Mitchell,
The Assembly adjourned.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1877.

Assembly met,

The Speaker in the chair.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Winter.

The roll was called and the following members present :

Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Mr. Speaker.—97.

Absent on leave—Mr. Bailey—1.

Absent—Mr. Zicman—1.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Leave was granted to Mr. Zieman till Monday morning.

COMMUNICATIONS.

The following communication ordered spread upon the journal at length.

OFFICE DAILY PATRIOT,
MADISON, February 8, 1877.

To Hon. J. B. Cassoday, Speaker of the Assembly:

On the 30th ult., the Hon. Mr. Kelley, of the Assembly, introduced a resolution of inquiry as to the progress of the state printing, directing the Joint Printing Committee to make inquiry as to the manner and celerity of doing the work. The undersigned re-

garded this as a very proper resolution, being similar to resolutions of the kind at every session of the legislature since the state's organization. While I take not the least exception to the inquiry, and believe the honorable gentleman acted from a sense of duty, yet it must be seen the inquiry itself could not be otherwise than in the very nature of things a censure, (though I am free to confess that nothing of the kind was intended). At most, it must be apparent that I had a right to have the facts investigated, and if remiss, I could not complain of censure; if not, I am entitled to exoneration. I submit the following as showing the injustice I am subjected to by a failure to have some official action: I refer you, and through you, the honorable Assembly, to the following articles:

From the *La Crosse Leader*:

"In the Assembly a joint resolution was presented by Mr. Kelley, inquiring into the causes which delay the printing of bills, etc., beyond a reasonable limit. I have touched upon the matter before, but cannot refrain from again mentioning it, as the whole work of the various committees is thrown behind by the failure on the part of Carpenter to keep his end of the contract up, and to him more than anything else, will be due the extra length of the session. Aside from the lack of promptness with which he does the printing, the quality of work turned out is of the very poorest, even the proof not being carefully corrected."

From the *Milwaukee Sentinel*:

"MADISON, January 31.—Pump Carpenter, as state printer, is an unmitigated failure, and the work should be taken out of his hands. The bills introduced in the Assembly on January 25th, have not yet been printed, a delay unprecedented in the history of the legislature. It seems that Pump thought that he was only to print the daily proceedings, and was wholly unprepared for this part of his work. Besides this, he has taken the job at starvation rates, and is doing it in a manner to correspond."

No criticism on the articles will here be attempted. This is not the proper occasion for that; but the undersigned, in all candor, without attempting to impeach the motives, or criticise or complain of the acts of any committee or gentleman in either house, submits that he ought to have a hearing, and an official report on

First, Whether the work has been so tardy as to impede legislation, with some 400 bills yet unacted on, and now printed; and

Second, Whether the work has been done in a manner to justify expert criticism.

I have no voice in the body over which you preside, and the only means I have to be heard is through respectful communication, and I will regard it as a favor to have this spread upon the journal, with the earnest request that at the earliest convenience of the proper committee, the facts may be duly investigated and officially reported.

I am, sir, with due regards, &c.,

S. D. CARPENTER,

One of State Printers.

MEMORIALS PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. Ringle:

Mem. No. 157, A.,

Petition of N. J. White and 87 others for the creation of the county of Forest.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Ringle:

Mem. No. 158, A.,

Petition of G. Daily and 18 others for the erection of the county of Forest.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Ringle:

Mem. No. 159.,

Petition of G. J. Walbridge and 45 others for the erection of the county of Forest.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Ringle:

Mem. No. 160, A.,

Petition of J. C. Jones and 31 others, for the erection of the county of Forest.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Ringle:

Mem. No. 161, A.,

Petition of John Sterling and 13 others, for the erection of the county of Forest.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Cash:

Mem. No. 162, A.

Remonstrance of J. Malby and 33 other citizens of Elroy, Juneau county, against the passage of Senate Bill No. 4, exempting the lands of the Central railroad company from taxation.

To Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Johnston:

Mem. No. 162, A.

Remonstrance of J. D. Markham and 13 other members of the bar, of the county of Manitowoc, against the passage of Senate Bill No. 64, organizing the judicial circuits of the state.

To Committee on Judiciary.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Herron:

Res. No. 28, A..

Resolved, That the Committee on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills each be authorized to employ a clerk or proof reader to assist them in their duties.

Was, on motion of Mr Hubbard, tabled.

On motion of Mr. Cash,
No. 241, A.,
Was withdrawn from select committee composed of Messrs. Cash,
Doxtader and McCollum, and referred to Committee on Claims.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Judiciary have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows:

No. 84, A.,

A bill to amend section 16, of chapter 141, of the Revised Statutes, "of actions for the recovery of real property."

With an amendment, and recommend its passage when amended.

Also, do recommend that the pending amendment referred to us with the bill, be not adopted.

No. 162, A.,

A bill relating to the exemption of earnings of married men and others, and amendatory of chapter 148, laws of 1858.

With an amendment, and passage recommended when so amended.

No. 54, S.,

A bill to amend section 33, of chapter 133, of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of costs and fees," as amended by section one, of chapter 181, of the general laws of 1861.

And recommend that the same be indefinitely postponed.

No. 204, A.,

A bill to prevent incompetent persons from conducting the business of druggists and apothecaries in this state.

Have had said bill under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back to the Assembly, that in the judgment of the committee there exists no constitutional objections to the passage of the bill, but that said bill should be considered by the committee on medical societies, to which committee we would recommend its committal.

No. 150, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of the supervisors of Star Prairie, St. Croix county.

No. 180, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money to the governor for the benefit of the state library, and to repeal chapter 321, general laws of 1864, and sections one and eight of chapter 26, of Revised Statutes.

No. 70, A.,

A bill relating to the liabilities of counties in certain cases, and amendatory of section one of chapter 35 of the general laws of 1860.

Without amendments, and passage recommended.

CARL C. POPE,
Chairman.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills have had under consideration the following bills. and report the same correctly engrossed :

No. 49, A.,

A bill relating to municipal aid in the construction of railroads, and to repeal section 3, chapter 289, of the laws of 1873.

No. 120, A.,

A bill relating to the powers and duties of fish commissioners, and amendatory of sections 4 and 7, of chapter 307, of the laws of 1876.

No. 97, A.,

A bill in relation to the paving of Chesnut street, from the Milwaukee river to Fifth street in the Second ward of the city of Milwaukee.

No. 71, A.,

A bill relating to justices' courts, and amendatory of section 47, of chapter 120, of the Revised Statutes.

No. 90, A.,

A bill to amend section 12, chapter 4, of chapter 337, private and local laws of 1871, entitled "an act to revise, consolidate and amend the act to incorporate the city of Prescott, and the several acts amendatory thereof."

M. C. No. 1, A.,

Memorial to Congress for the extension of a mail route from the town of Berlin, in Marathon county, Wisconsin, to the town of Hamburg in said county.

No. 72, A.,

A bill relating to liens for labor upon logs and timber in Chippewa county and amendatory of section 1 of chapter 372, of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act to amend section one and twelve of chapter one hundred and eighty-six of the general laws of 1861," and also to repeal chapter one hundred and sixty-one of the laws of 1874, entitled "an act to amend chapter one hundred and eighty-six of the general laws of 1861."

W. R. HERRON,

Chairman.

The Committee on Privileges and Elections to whom was referred

No. 107, A.,

A bill regulating the general and special elections, and amendatory of section one of chapter seven of Revised Statutes.

Report the same back with a substitute in the form of a joint resolution for an amendment to section 1 of article 3 of the constitution, and recommend the adoption of said substitute.

T. W. SPENCE,

Chairman.

The Committee on Town and County Organization have had under consideration the following bill, and report the same back as follows:

No. 105, A.,

A bill to create the county of "Wells," and provide for the organization of same.

With substitute and recommendation that the substitute do pass.

No. 221, A.,

A bill to authorize the county treasurers to pay over funds to the town treasurers.

With recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

H. P. LEAVENS,
Chairman.

The Committee on Agriculture have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows:

No. 216, A.,

A bill to amend section 6, of chapter 67, general laws of 1871, entitled "an act to protect and encourage the raising of sheep, and discourage the raising of dogs."

Passage recommended.

No. 25, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 53, general laws of 1858, entitled "an act for the formation and protection of county agricultural societies."

Report the same back and recommend that it be concurred in.

No. 191, A.,

A bill to amend section 2, of chapter 59, of Revised Statutes, in relation to tolls for grinding grain.

No. 143, A.,

To grant aid to the Portage County Agricultural Society.

Without recommendation.

W. T. BROOKS,
Chairman.

The Committee on State Affairs have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows:

No. 110, A.,

A bill relating to the preservation of game in the State of Wisconsin, and amendatory of section one of chapter 329 of the laws of 1874.

And recommend that it be indefinitely postponed.

No. 82, A.,

A bill to amend section 2, of chapter 93, of the general laws of 1871, entitled "an act to repeal sections 4 and 8, of chapter 160, of the general laws of 1859, and re-enact section 4, of chapter 61, of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 1, of chapter 202, of the general laws of 1860, entitled 'an act to prescribe the rate of interest.'"

And recommend that it be indefinitely postponed.

No. 159, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 120, of the general laws of 1866, entitled "an act to prescribe and limit the rate of interest."

And recommend that it be indefinitely postponed.

No. 62, A.,

A bill to appropriate money to the Lemonweir Valley Horticultural Society.

And recommend that it be referred to Committee on Agriculture.

PHINEAS BALDWIN,
Chairman.

The Committee on Public Improvements have had under consideration the following bills, and instruct me to report the same back as follows:

No. 57, S.,

A bill to authorize Peter Wilkinson, Ignez Steinmetz, William Owen, Amos Johnson, Darius Palmer, and others, to erect and maintain a dam across Leach Creek, in Sauk county.

And recommend that the same be concurred in.

No. 125, A.,

A bill to authorize Henry C. Fricke to build a dam across Big Rib River in the county of Marathon.

And recommend that the same do pass.

No. 179, A.,

A bill relating to the improvement of certain portions of the Embarrass river, and amendatory of chapter 249 of the laws of 1876.

And recommend that the same do pass.

SAMUEL BLACK,
Chairman.

The Committee on Privileges and Elections, have had under consideration the following bill:

No. 85, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 60 of general laws of 1860, in relation to registering the names of persons declaring their intention to become citizens of the United States.

And report the same back with amendment, and recommend its passage when amended.

T. W. SPENCE,
Chairman.

The Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes report back

No. 200, A.,

A bill relating to assessors in the city of Jancsville, and amendatory of section one.(1), of chapter seven (7), of chapter four hun-

dred and seventy-four (474), of the private and local laws of Wisconsin for 1866, entitled "an act to render the act incorporating the city of Janesville," and the several acts amendatory thereof into one act and amend the same.

Without amendment, and recommend it: passage.

D. P. HULL,
Chairman.

The Milwaukee Delegation to whom was referred

No. 243, A.,

A bill to provide for the establishing of two election precincts in the town of Milwaukee, in the County of Milwaukee.

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with a recommendation that it do pass.

EDWARD KEOGH,
Chairman.

The Committee on Incorporations have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back with sundry recommendations, as follows :

No. 62, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 133, of the private and local laws of 1857, entitled "an act to consolidate and amend the act to incorporate the city of Kenosha," and the several acts amendatory thereof.

The committee recommend concurrence in passage of the bill.

No. 203, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 313 of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act to revise, consolidate and amend the charter of the city of Racine, and the several acts amendatory thereof."

And recommend the concurrence of the Assembly in the passage of the bill.

No. 257, A.,

A bill relating to and amendatory of chapter 495 of the private and local laws of 1871, entitled "an act to incorporate the village of Augusta."

A. D. DELAND,
Chairman.

The Joint Committee on Printing, to whom was referred

Jt. Res. No. 22, A.,

Requesting the Joint Committee on Printing to inquire into the advisability of having the plates of the geological survey report stereotyped,

Respectfully report the same back, with a joint resolution authorizing such stereotyping, and recommend its passage.

S. W. PIERCE,
Assembly.
SAM S. FIFIELD,
Senate.

Resolution reported by Joint Committee on Printing:

Resolved by the Assembly, the Senate concurring, That section 4 of chapter 121, of the general laws of 1876, entitled "an act relating to the preparation, publication and distribution of the final report of the geological survey," may be construed so as to include stereotype plates, at the discretion of the commissioners of public printing. The said section reads as follows: The said commissioners are also hereby empowered to procure, on the best terms they can make, such plates, cuts engraved stones, and other means of representation, as may be necessary to properly illustrate the report, and they are directed to contract for the delivery after the printing of the report, of such plates, cuts, engraved stones, and other means of illustration, to the state.

Laid over under the rules.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By A. J. TURNER, Chief Clerk thereof:

Mr. Speaker:—I am directed to inform you that the Senate has passed and asks the concurrence of the Assembly in

No. 75, S.,

A bill to provide for the examination of the accounts and annual reports of town officers.

No. 77, S.,

A bill in relation to judgments.

No. 93, S.,

A bill to legalize the proceedings of the county board of supervisors of Trempealeau county, in fixing salary of officers.

No. 103, S.,

A bill to change the boundaries of certain towns in Lincoln county, and to organize the town of Scanvan therein.

And concurred in

No. 35, A.,

A bill relating to the apportionment of the state into Senate and Assembly districts, and amendatory of chapter 343 of the laws of 1876.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Read first and second times and referred.

No. 103, S.,

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

No. 93, S.,

To Committee on Judiciary.

No. 77, S.,

To Committee on Judiciary,

No. 77, S.,

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

SENATE BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

No. 3, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the state prison a sum of money therein named to re-imburse the prison for goods furnished other state institutions and to pay indebtedness, incurred in making new roofs.

Was concurred in by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Van Waters, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Mr. Speaker.—93.

No. 27, S.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 64, of the general laws of 1872, entitled "an act to provide for the enforcement of laws in certain cases."

Was concurred in.

No. 41, S.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 267, laws of 1873, relating to laying out highways.

Was, on motion of Mr. Hulburt, re-committed to Committee on Judiciary.

ASSEMBLY BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

M. C. No. 2, A.,

Memorial to Congress for the extension of a mail route from the town of Stettin, in Marathon county, Wisconsin, to the town of Rib Falls, in said county.

No. 15, A.,

A bill relating to the terms of the several circuit courts of the Eleventh judicial circuit, petit juries therein, and authorizing the employment of a phonographic reporter therein, and fixing the compensation of said reporter.

No. 24, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of Joseph Mason, a justice of the peace of the county of Grant.

No. 67, A.,

A bill to authorize J. T. Mills, late judge of the 5th judicial circuit, to retain certain books on payment therefor.

No. 104, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of O. B. Stevens, a justice of the peace of the county of Shawano.

M. C. No. 5, A.,

Memorial to Congress for the establishment of a mail route from Barron, the county seat of Barron county, Wisconsin, to the village of Sand Creek, in Dunn county, Wisconsin, via Mooney's Mills, Sylvan Springs and Sioux Creek.

No. 71, A.,

A bill relating to justices' courts, and amendatory of section 47, of chapter 120, of the Revised Statutes.

Were severally read a third time and passed.

No. 232, A.,

A bill to authorize the county board of supervisors of Milwaukee county to appropriate to Richard Rooney, late county treasurer, a certain sum of money.

Was read a third time, and passed by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Bock, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hurlburt, Hyde, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Wall, Wannemaker, Wedig, Wright, Wyatt, Mr. Speaker—89.

Noes—Messrs. Fink, Van Waters, Walker, Weeks.—4.

No. 97, A.,

A bill in relation to the paving of Chestnut street, from the Milwaukee river to Fifth street, in the Second ward of the city of Milwaukee.

No. 120, A.,

A bill relating to the powers and duties of the fish commissioner, and amendatory of section 7, of chapter 307, of the general laws of 1876.

No. 90, A.,

A bill to amend section 12, of chapter 337, private and local laws of 1871, entitled "an act to revise, consolidate and amend the act to incorporate the city of Prescott, and the several acts amendatory thereof."

M. C. No. 1, A.,

Memorial to Congress for the extension of a mail route from the town of Berlin, in Marathon county, Wisconsin, to the town of Hamburg in said county.

No. 49, A.,

A bill relating to municipal aid in the construction of railroads, and to repeal section 3, chapter 289, of the laws of 1873.

No. 72, A.,

A bill relating to liens for labor upon logs and timber in Chippewa county, and amendatory of section 1, chapter 372, of genera

laws of 1876, entitled "an act to amend sections 1 and 12, of chapter 186, of the general laws of 1861," and also to repeal chapter 161 of the laws of 1874, entitled "an act to amend chapter 186 of the general laws of 1861."

Were severely read a third time and passed.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE LAYING OVER.

No. 144, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 219 of the laws of Wisconsin, approved March 9, 1876, entitled "an act to improve the north branch of the Eau Claire river, in the County of Clark."

No. 142, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 220 of the laws of Wisconsin, approved March 9, 1870, entitled "an act to improve the south branch of the Eau Claire river and its tributaries, in Clark county."

Were each amended, and on motion of Mr. Pope, the rules were suspended, read a third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Lushsinger,
The Assembly resolved itself into a

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

On the General File of Bills,

Mr. Hubbard in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman reported as follows:

Mr. SPEAKER:

The Assembly, in Committee of the Whole, has had under consideration the General File of Bills, has made some progress therein, and has instructed me to report the following bills to the Assembly for its consideration, and ask leave to sit again.

No. 229, A.,

A bill to prevent frauds by coloring grain.

With amendment.

No. 149, A.,

A bill to appropriate to George B. Smith and William F. Vilas, a sum of money.

Without amendment.

No. 98, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the Fish Commissioners of the State of Wisconsin a sum of money.

With amendment.

No. 22, A.,

A bill to enlarge and extend the corporate limits of the city of Milwaukee.

Without amendment.

No. 129, A.,

A bill regulating the salary of the county judge of Milwaukee county.

With amendment.

No. 347, A.,

A bill to provide for chapter 224, of the private and local laws of 1868, and the several acts amendatory thereof, being the acts revising and consolidating and the acts amending the charter of the city of Sheboygan, and to repeal chapter 111, of the laws of 1875.

Without amendment.

No. 138, A.,

To provide for purchasing one thousand copies of a wall map of the State of Wisconsin, and supplying school districts with them at cost.

With amendment.

No. 174, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 39 of the general laws of 1876, relating to school months.

No. 139, A.,

A bill to prevent certain officers and teachers from acting as agents in the sale of school books.

No. 122, A.,

A bill to enforce the attendance of children at the public schools.

Without amendment.

No. 151, A.,

A bill relating to the protection of insect-devouring birds, and amendatory of chapter 178, general laws of 1869.

With amendments.

No. 196, A.,

A bill to provide for the more careful supervision of our common jails, and for the employment of the prisoners therein, on certain conditions.

No. 194, A.,

A bill relating to the use of tobacco and coffee in state prison, and amendatory of section 38, chapter 115, of the laws of Wisconsin for 1871, entitled "an act to consolidate all acts now in force for the government and management of the state prison," and to amend the same.

No. 193, A.,

A bill relating to prisons and common jails, and amendatory of section 9, of chapter 190, of the Revised Statutes.

No. 187, A.,

A bill to legalize the official acts of Ed. F. Carpenter, as notary public for Rock county.

No. 214, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of Frank Higgins, a justice of the peace in the county of Lafayette.

No. 172., A.,

A bill to extend the benefits of the public schools, and to promote the fitness of young foreigners for citizenship, and progress.

Without amendments.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE CONSIDERED.

No. 98, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the fish commissioners of the State of Wisconsin a sum of money therein named.

On motion of Mr. Pierce, the further consideration of which was postponed until to-morrow.

No. 229, A.,

Together with accompanying memorial,

A bill to prevent fraud by coloring grain.

Amendments adopted, and ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 129, A.,

A bill regulating the salary of the county judge of Milwaukee county.

Amendment adopted, ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 347, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 254 of the private and local laws of 1868 and the several acts amendatory thereof, being the acts revising and consolidating and the acts amending the charter of the city of Sheboygan, and to repeal chapter 111 of the laws of 1875.

On motion of Mr. Wedig, the rules were suspended, and bill No. 347 was read a third time and passed.

No. 138, A.,

To provide for purchasing one thousand copies of a wall map of the State of Wisconsin, and supplying school districts with them at cost.

On motion of Mr. Keogh, the further consideration of which was postponed until Tuesday next.

No. 151, A.,

A bill relating to the protection of insect-devouring birds, and amendatory of chapter 178, general laws of 1869.

Was, on motion of Mr. Merrill, re-committed to Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Pope moved that when the Assembly adjourn, it do adjourn until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock a. m.

Carried.

On motion of Mr. Senn,
The Assembly adjourned.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1877.

9 O'CLOCK, A. M.

Assembly met,

The Speaker in the chair.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Winter.

The roll was called and the following members present :

Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannenmaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Mr. Speaker.—96.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Zieman and Bailey—2.

Absent—Mr. McCarty—1.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Leave of absence was granted to Messrs. Thornton and Wyatt.

MEMORIALS PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. Cassoday :

Mem. No. 163, A.,

Memorial of the State Teachers' Associations, in relation to the completion of the State Geological Survey.

To Committee on Education.

By Mr. Spence :

Mem. No. 164, A.,

Communication and petition from the Business Men's Association of the city of Fond du Lac, in relation to the extension of the exemption of Wisconsin Central Railroad lands from taxation.

To Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Arnot :

Mem. No. 165, A.,

Remonstrance against exempting the Wisconsin Central Railroad lands from taxation, and signed by T. W. Anderson and 20 other citizens of Portage county.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Hammel :

Res. No. 34, A.,

Resolved, That for the balance of the session the Committee of the Whole be dispensed with, and all bills, resolutions or other business be considered as reached from the General File.

Being a notice to amend rules, it was laid over under the rules.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED.

Reported from Committee on Printing,

Jt. Res. No. 28, A.,

Relating to stereotyping plates of geological survey report.

Laid over.

On motion of Mr. Deland,

No. 382, A.,

Was withdrawn from Committee on Incorporations, and re-committed to Mr. Anderson for perfection.

On motion of Mr. Spence,

No. 169, A.,

Was taken from General File, and re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Incorporations have had under consideration the following bill, and report the same back as follows :

No. 382, A.,

A bill to incorporate the city of Darlington.

And recommend that Mr. Anderson have leave to withdraw the bill for the purpose of perfecting the same.

A. D. DELAND,
Chairman.

The Joint Committee on Printing, to which was referred
No. 66, A.,

A bill relating to Printing, and amendatory of section 28, of chapter 243, of the general laws of 1874.

Respectfully report the same back with amendment, and recommend its passage when so amended.

S. W. PIERCE,
SAM. S. FIFIELD,
JAS. RYAN,

Committee.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back correctly engrossed :

No. 3, A.,

A bill to amend an act to incorporate the Chamber of Commerce of the city of Milwaukee, approved February 29, 1868.

No. 55, A.,

A bill relating to fences and amendatory of section 1, of chapter 17, of the Revised Statutes for the year 1858, an act entitled "of fences and fence viewers, of pounds and the impounding of cattle."

No. 94, A.,

A bill relating to, and amendatory of section 2 of chapter 323, of the laws of 1875, entitled "an act to authorize the establishment of free high schools."

No. 91, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 67 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1876, entitled "an act to authorize the taking of fish in the public waters of the state, for the purposes of artificial propagation."

No. 86, A.,

A bill relating to fees of jurors, and to amend chapter 280 of the laws of 1874.

No. 61, A.,

A bill relating to fire departments, and amendatory of chapter 126, general laws of 1870.

No. 52, A.,

A bill amendatory of and supplementary to the charter of the city of Milwaukee.

W. R. HERRON,
Chairman.

The Committee on Lumber and Manufactures have under consideration the following bills, and report the same as follows :

No. 170, A.,

A bill to authorize Duncan & Taylor to maintain a dam upon Silver Creek and its tributaries in Taylor and Lincoln counties.

And recommend its passage.

E. BURNETT,
Chairman.

The Committee on Enrolled Bills have examined and find correctly enrolled the following bills:

No. 51, A.,

A bill to reduce the rate of interest on bonds hereafter issued by the city of Milwaukee, under section 23, chapter 311, laws of 1876.

No. 35, A.,

A bill relating to the apportionment of the state into Senate and Assembly districts, and amendatory of chapter 343 of the general laws of 1876,

No. 36, A.,

A bill to enable the county of Jackson to compromise its bonded indebtedness.

JOHN J. SENN,
Chairman.

The Joint Committee on Printing, to which was refused Joint Resolution No. 16, A., instructing said committee to inquire into the causes of the delay in printing bills, etc., respectfully report:

1st. That the time allowed for the introduction of new business at this session of the Legislature, was ten days less than that of last year.

2d. That the number of bills, etc., introduced this year exceeds slightly that of last year.

3d. That of the 705 bills introduced into both houses at this session, 607 were introduced during the last ten days allowed for the introduction of new business, and that during said time the testimony in contested election case from the 8th Milwaukee Assembly District had also to be printed.

4th. That we are informed by the printer that, with a single exception, all bills will be printed and delivered to the two houses by the 10th instant, and that this time is about two weeks earlier than the last were printed and delivered at the session of 1876.

We are therefore of the opinion that the printing of the legislature, under the circumstances, has been done at least with reasonable expedition, and that no just cause of complaint exists in regard thereto.

S. W. PIERCE,
SAM. S. FIFIELD,
JAMES RYAN,
Committee.

The Committee on Legislative Expenses have had under consideration

No. 45, S.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 211, of the laws of 1874, entitled "an act relating to the purchase of stationery."

And recommend that said bill be concurred in.

No. 220, A.,
A bill relating to legislative manuals, and the distribution of public property.

And recommend the indefinite postponement of the same.

JOSEPH BOCK,
Chairman.

The Select Committee of One has had under consideration the following bill, and report the same back as follows:

No. 383, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 315, general laws of 1875, entitled "an act to provide for uniformity and the free use of text books in towns and cities."

D. R. SYLVESTER,
Chairman.

The Brown County Delegation to whom was referred

No. 171, A.,

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Fort Howard.

Report the same back with the recommendation that it do pass.

W. J. FISK,
D. M. KELLY,
M. J. TOUHEY.

The Milwaukee Delegation to whom was referred

No. 235, A.,

A bill to provide for the payment by the city of Milwaukee to the county of Milwaukee, for the maintenance of prisoners confined in the house of correction of said county, for the violation of the ordinances of said city of Milwaukee.

No. 182, A.,

A bill to authorize the construction of a viaduct on Reservoir Avenue, in the 6th ward of the city of Milwaukee.

No. 209, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 276, of the general laws of 1875, entitled "an act to fix the fees of the register of deeds of the county of Milwaukee, for the registration of marriages, births and deaths."

Have had the same under consideration and report the same back with a recommendation that they do severally pass.

No. 207, A.,

A bill to authorize the clerk of the circuit and county courts for the county of Milwaukee, to appoint additional deputies.

Have had the same under consideration, and report the same back by substitute, and recommend passage of substitute.

No. 230, A.,

A bill to increase the amount of the official bond of the clerk of the circuit court of Milwaukee county.

With amendment, and recommend passage of same when so amended.

No. 244, A.,

A bill in relation to toll gates on the Madison, Watertown and Milwaukee plank road, and amendatory of chapter 7, of the private and local laws of 1862.

With a recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

ED. KEOGH,
Chairman.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By A. J. TURNER, Chief Clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:—I am directed to inform you that the Senate has passed and asks the concurrence of the Assembly in

No. 256, S.,

A bill relating to certificates of employes of the legislature, and amendatory of section 9, of chapter 345, of the laws of Wisconsin of 1876.

And has adopted and asks the concurrence of the Assembly in Jt. Res. No. 10, S.,

Relating to adjournment.

And has concurred in the Assembly amendment to the Senate amendment of

Jt. Res. No. 23, A.,

For the appointment of a committee to investigate the accounts of the State Board of Centennial Managers.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

No. 256, S.,

Was read first and second times.

Mr. Hamilton moved to suspend the rules, and place the bill upon its third reading and concurrence.

On motion of Mr. W. E. Carter, the bill was ordered printed, and the further consideration of which was laid over.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE LAYING OVER.

No. 22, A.,

A bill to enlarge and extend the corporate limits of the city of Milwaukee.

Was on motion of Mr. Fink, indefinitely postponed.

No. 196, A.,

A bill to provide for the more careful supervision of our common

jails, and for the employment of the prisoners therein, on certain conditions.

Was referred to Committee on Judiciary.

No. 174, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 39 of the general laws of 1876 relating to school months.

Was, on motion of Mr. Mohr, indefinitely postponed.

No. 122, A.,

A bill to enforce the attendance of children at the public schools.

Was, on motion of Mr. Flinn, re-committed.

No. 194, A.,

A bill relating to the use of tobacco and coffee in state prison, and amendatory of section 38, chapter 115, of the laws of Wisconsin for 1871, entitled "an act to consolidate all acts now in force for the government and management of the state prison," and to amend the same.

Was, on motion of Mr. Hubbard, indefinitely postponed.

No. 98, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the Fish Commissioners of the State of Wisconsin a sum of money.

Was, on motion of Mr. Dousman, laid over till next week.

No. 149, A.,

A bill to appropriate to George B. Smith and William F. Vilas, a sum of money.

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 139, A.,

A bill to prevent certain officers and teachers from acting as agents in the sale of school books.

Mr. Deland, moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed. Upon which the roll was called and motion was lost, by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Arnold, Phineas Baldwin, Blakeslee, Brost, Burnett, Cash, Carmichael, Dale, Deland, Dousman, Earnest, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hulburt, Johnson, Keogh, Kinzie, Lindsay, Linderman, Maxwell, Marx, Mohr, Nelson, Pope, Ries, Roche, Sarnow, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Vincent, Wall, Walker, Wedig, Wyatt.—46.

Noes—Messrs. Abell, Arnot, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Bock, Brooks, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dailey, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, Fink, W. J. Fisk, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Hubbard, Hull, Hyde, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Knapp, Knowlton, Leavens, Luchsinger, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Rice, Ringle, Sepp, Seymour, Stapleton, Touhey, Truell, Wannemaker, Weeks, Wright, Mr. Speaker.—48.

Mr. Rice moved the previous question.

Which being seconded, the main question was ordered, by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. I. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader

Dousman, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, Fink, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Hamilton, Hammiel, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnson, Johnston, Kelly, Knapp, Knowlton, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Maxwell, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Sarnow, Senn, Scheuber, Spence, Stapleton, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Mr. Speaker—70.

Noes—Anderson, Bock, Deland, H. J. Fisk, Hubbard, Kast, Keogh, Kinzie, Mohr, Neuhauser, Newman, Roche, Seymour, Shepard, Shufelt, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Walker, Wyatt—21.

The question recurring upon the question shall the bill be ordered engrossed and read a third time, it was carried and so ordered.

Mr. McCarty moved that when the Assembly adjourn, it do adjourn till Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Carried.

On motion of Mr. Knowlton,
The Assembly adjourned.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1877.

7:30 P. M.

Assembly met,

The Speaker in the chair.

The roll was called and the following members present :

Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Gøtze, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhausser, Newman, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Weeks, Wright, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker.—89.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Bailey and Wyatt—2.

Absent—Messrs. Black, Blakeslee, Hamilton, Hulburt, Knowlton, Owen, Ries, Wedig.—8.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Was granted to Messrs. Black and Burnett, indefinitely.

To Messrs. Brooks, Blakeslee, Ries, Owen, Hulburt, Wedig and Hamilton, until Tuesday A. M.

MEMORIALS PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. Vance :

Mem. No. 166, A.,

Petition of Charles Wagler and 200 others, for the passage of the law relating to exemptions of married men's earnings.

To Committee on Judiciary.

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To the Honorable the President of the Senate.

By Mr. Cress:

Mem. No. 100. A.

Remembrance of Gen. R. N. Holt and 59 others of Julian county against the execution of Daniel L. Davis.

To Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Ketchum:

Mem. No. 179, A.

Petition of W. A. Ellis and 39 others, of the town of Peshigo, asking for the passage of substitute bill No. 195 A, creating the county of Weng.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Kautz:

Mem. No. 171. A.

Preamble and resolution of the board of supervisors of the town of Peshtigo, asking the creation of the county of Wells.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Flanders :

Mem. No. 172, A..

Remonstrance against bill increasing the size of hay-market in First ward of Milwaukee.

To Milwaukee County Delegation.

By Mr. Flanders :

Mem. No. 173, A.,

Remonstrance against bill providing for increasing size of hay-market in First ward of Milwaukee.

To Milwaukee County Delegation.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Hubbard:

Rev. No. 35, A.

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk be and he is hereby instructed to furnish printed daily calendars of business, in sufficient numbers to supply each member and reporter.

Adopted.

By Mr. Vance:

Rev. No. 36, A.,

Resolved, That the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway Company be, and it is hereby required without delay, to certify under

oath of its proper officers, to this Assembly, the numbers of the bonds of said company registered for purpose of voting, the names in which said bonds are registered, whether any, and which of said bonds are registered to bearer, and what person or persons voted upon bonds so registered, at the last election; what number and amount of bonds were voted upon at the last election; and by whom; and that said company further certify to the Assembly a copy or copies of all rules and regulations of said company, touching or referring to the manner of registry of bonds, as well as touching the right to vote, and manner of voting.

Laid over under the rules.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 10, S.,

Was referred to Judiciary Committee.

On motion of Mr. Hammel,

Res. No. 34, A.,

Was taken up, and upon motion of Mr. Merrill, the resolution was tabled.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Judiciary have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows:

No. 42, A.,

A bill relating to estates in dower, and amendatory of sections 17, 18 and 19, of chapter 89, of the Revised Statutes.

No. 92, A.,

A bill relating to foreclosure sales, and amendatory of section 2, of chapter 299, of the general laws of 1863.

No. 223, A.

A bill relating to the partition of real estate, and amendatory of chapter 142 of the Revised Statutes.

No. 23, A.,

A bill relating to town treasurers, and defining their duties in certain cases.

No. 201, A.

A bill relating to the election of city marshals in the city of Janesville, and amendatory of section 4, of chapter 223, of the private and local laws of 1867, entitled "an act to amend chapter 474 of the private and local laws of 1866, and the several acts amendatory thereto."

No. 215, A.,

A bill to authorize the transfer into the proper offices, of certain documents belonging to the state.

Without amendments, and passage recommended.

No. 208, A.,

A bill to prohibit the employment of children under thirteen years of age, in factories or other workshops in this state.

With sundry amendments, and recommend its passage when so amended.

No. 222, A.,

A bill relating to the incorporation of villages, and amendatory of section 1, of chapter 188 of the general laws of 1872.

No. 258, A.,

A bill to authorize the trustees of Little Prairie Cemetery Association, in the county of Walworth, to remove and re-inter a portion of the remains buried therein.

No. 189, A.,

A bill in relation to mortgages, to secure further advances and for other purposes.

No. 154, A., and accompanying Memorial, No. 56, A.,

Relating to the location of toll gates on plank and turnpike roads.

No. 95, A.,

A bill relating to the form of summons in actions for forcible entry and unlawful detainer, and to amend section 3, of chapter 151, of the Revised Statutes.

Without amendment and recommendation that each of same be indefinitely postponed.

Jt. Res. No. 25, A.,

Fixing time for final adjournment.

And have instructed me to report the same back to the Assembly with an amendment, and recommend its passage when so amended.

CARL C. POPE,
Chairman.

The Committee on Roads and Bridges have had under consideration the following bill, and report the same back as follows:

No. 256, A.,

A bill to discontinue a state road from Chippewa Falls, in Chippewa county, to Augusta, in the town of Bridge Creek, in Eau Claire county.

And report the same back with an amendment, and recommend its passage when so amended.

No. 29, A.,

A bill to establish and maintain a ferry across Lake Pepin and the Mississippi River, from Pepin in the county of Pepin.

Beg leave to report the same back to the Assembly with amendments, and recommend its passage when so amended.

S. J. SEYMOUR,
Chairman.

The Committee on Lumber and Manufactures have had under consideration the following bill, and report the same as follows:

No. 147, A.,

A bill relating to, and amendatory of section three, chapter 299, private and local laws of the year 1870, entitled "an act to define certain rights and duties of the Beef Slough manufacturing, booming, log driving and transportation company."

And recommend its indefinite postponement.

E. BURNETT,
Chairman.

The Joint Committee on Printing to which was referred

No. 66, A.,

A bill relating to printing, and amendatory of section 28, of chapter 243, of the general laws of 1874.

Respectfully report the same back with an amendment, and recommend its passage when so amended.

S. W. PIERCE,
Assembly.
SAM. S. FIFIELD,
Senate.

The Select Committee to whom was referred

No. 334, A.,

A bill to authorize Jno. T. Kingston, John Swart, Wm. Mock and their associates to build and maintain a bridge across the Wisconsin river, and authorizing certain towns to grant aid therefor.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend its passage.

W. H. H. CASH,
Committee.

The Select Committee had under consideration the following bill, and report the same back as follows:

No. 382, A.,

A bill to incorporate the city of Darlington.

And recommend its passage.

A. J. ANDERSON,
Committee.

On motion of Mr. Earnest,

No. 382, A.,

Was taken up, rules suspended, read a third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Carmichael:

No. 147, A.,

Was taken from General File and re-committed to Committee on Public Improvements.

On motion of Mr. Fisk :

No. 171, A.,

Was taken from General File and re-committed to the Brown County Delegation.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By A. J. TURNER, Chief Clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:—I am directed to inform you that the Senate has passed and asks the concurrence of the Assembly in

No. 72, S.,

A bill to repeal chapter 136, laws of Wisconsin of 1874, entitled "an act for the preservation of fish in Dell creek," and all subsequent acts amendatory thereof.

No. 73, S.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 105, of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of the conveyance of real estate by executors and administrators in certain cases."

No. 97, S.,

A bill to submit to the people an amendment to article VII. of the constitution.

And has concurred in

No. 347, A.,

A bill to amend for chapter 254, of the private and local laws of 1868, and the several acts amendatory thereof, being the acts revising and consolidating and the acts amending the charter of the city of Sheboygan, and to repeal chapter 111, of the laws of 1875.

And has amended, and concurred in as amended,

No. 15, A.,

A bill relating to the terms of the several circuit courts of the Eleventh judicial circuit, petit juries therein, and authorizing the employment of a phonographic reporter therein, and fixing the compensation of said reporter.

M. C. No. 3, A.,

A memorial to congress for increased mail facilities in western portion of Oconto county.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Read first and second times and referred.

On motion of Mr. W. E. Carter,

No. 15, A.,

Was taken up. Senate amendments concurred in by the Assembly.

No. 73, S.,
To Committee on Judiciary.
No. 97, S.,
To Committee on Judiciary.
No. 72, S.,
To Committee on Agriculture.
M. C. No. 3, A.,
As amended by Senate was, on motion of Mr. Leavens, re-committed
To Committee on Federal Relations.

ASSEMBLY BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

No. 3, A.,
A bill to amend an act to incorporate the Chamber of Commerce of the city of Milwaukee, approved February 29, 1868.
No. 94, A.,
A bill relating to, and amendatory of section 2 of chapter 323, of the general laws of 1875, entitled "an act to authorize the establishment of and aid in the maintenance of free schools."
No. 91, A.,
A bill for an act to amend chapter 67, of the laws of Wisconsin, of the year 1876, entitled "an act to authorize the taking of fish in the public waters of the state, for the purpose of artificial propagation."
No. 61, A.,
A bill relating to fire departments, and amendatory of chapter 126, general laws of 1870.
No. 52, A.,
A bill amendatory of and supplementary to the charter of the city of Milwaukee.
No. 55, A.,
A bill relating to fences and amendatory of section 1, of chapter 17, of the Revised Statutes for the year 1858, an act entitled "of fences and fence viewers, of pounds and the impounding of cattle."
No. 86, A.,
A bill relating to fees of jurors, and to amend chapter 280 of the general laws of 1874.
No. 59, A.,
A bill relating to witness fees in courts of record, and amendatory of chapter 146 of laws of 1869.
No. 91, A.,
A bill to amend chapter 67 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1876, entitled "an act to authorize the taking of fish in the public waters of the state, for the purposes of artificial propagation."
Were severally read a third time and passed.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE LAY-
ING OVER CONSIDERED.

No 193, A.,

A bill relating to prisons and common jails, and amendatory of section 9, of chapter 190, of the Revised Statutes.

No. 214, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of Frank Higgins, a justice of the peace, in the county of La Fayette.

No. 187, A.

A bill to legalize the official acts of Ed. F. Carpenter, as notary public for Rock county.

Were severally ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Seymour,
The Assembly resolved itself into a

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

On the General File of Bills,

Mr. Phineas Baldwin in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman reported as follows:

Mr. SPEAKER:

The Assembly, in Committee of the Whole, has had under consideration the General File of Bills, and has instructed me to report the following bills to the Assembly for its consideration, and ask leave to sit again.

No. 172, A.,

A bill to extend the benefits of the public schools, and to promote the fitness of young foreigners for citizenship.

With amendments.

No. 251, A.

A bill relating to the registering of the names of persons who have heretofore or may hereinafter declare their intentions to become citizens, or who have been, or may hereinafter be admitted to become citizens of the United States of America, and amendatory of chapter 60, laws of 1866.

No. 205, A.,

A bill to regulate the practice of medicine in this state.

No. 164, A.,

A bill to authorize the city of Racine to appropriate certain moneys.

No. 30, A.,

A bill in relation to judgments and executions for wages for manual labor.

Without amendment.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE CONSIDERED.

No. 172., A.,

A bill to extend the benefits of the public schools, and to promote the fitness of young foreigners for citizenship.

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 251, A.,

A bill relating to the registering of the names of persons who have heretofore or may hereafter declare their intentions to become citizens, or who have been or may hereafter be admitted to become citizens of the United States of America, and amendatory of chapter 60, laws of 1866.

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 205, A.,

A bill to regulate the practice of medicine in this state.

Was, on motion of Mr. Earnest, re-committed to Committee on Medical Societies.

No. 164, A.,

A bill to authorize the city of Racine to appropriate certain moneys.

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 30, A.,

A bill in relation to judgments and executions for wages for manual labor.

Was, on motion of Mr. Pope indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. Earnest,
The Assembly adjourned.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1877.

Assembly met.

The Speaker in the chair.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Wilkinson.

The roll was called, and the following members present:

Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Dostader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Götze, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker.—93.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Black and Wyatt.—2.

Absent—Messrs. Blakeslee, Brooks, Hamilton, Knowlton.—4.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Was granted

To Messrs. Knowlton, Owen, Blakeslee, and Brooks, till Wednesday morning; and

To Mr. Hamilton, till Tuesday evening.

MEMORIALS PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. Grover :

Mem. No. 174, A.,

Remonstrance of J. B. Darrow and 133 others, against the passage of the bill exempting the North Wisconsin Railroad lands from taxation.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Leavens:

Mem. No. 175, A.,

Remonstrance of D. C. Van Ostrand and 51 others, against the passage of Senate bill No. 4., exempting the Wisconsin Central lands from taxation.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Kast:

Mem. No. 176, A.,

Petition of J. B. Hill and others asking for the exemption of the lands of the Wisconsin Central Railroad for five years.

To Railroad Committee.

By Mr. Kast:

Mem. No. 177, A.,

Petition of Alto Paulson and others, asking that the lands of the Wisconsin Central Railroad Company be exempted from taxation.

To Railroad Committee.

By Mr. Kast:

Mem. No. 178, A.,

Petition of R. D. Sackett and others, asking that the lands of the Wisconsin Central Railroad Company be exempted for five years.

To Railroad Committee.

By Mr. Kast:

Mem. No. 179, A.,

Petition of Robert Elliot and others, asking that the lands of the Wisconsin Central Railroad be exempted for five years.

To Railroad Committee.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

Resolution relating to the restoration of silver coin as a legal tender.

Resolved by the Assembly, the Senate concurring, That the interests of the inhabitants of this state demand the remonetizing of silver coin as a legal tender for all debts, both public and private.

Resolved, That the bill now pending in Congress known as "Bland's silver bill," meets the hearty approval of this body.

Resolved, That our Senators be instructed and our Representatives in Congress respectfully requested to vote for said bill, and to use their influence for its passage.

Resolved, That the Governor of the state be and he is hereby requested to transmit the foregoing resolutions to the two houses of Congress and also to send a copy hereof to each of our Senators and Representatives in Congress.

To Committee on Federal Relations.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 25, A.,
Fixing day for final adjournment.

Was amended by striking out all after the word "concurring," and insert "that the legislature adjourn *sine die* on the 28th day of February, 1877, at 12 o'clock noon, and that no business be done by either House, except to receive and send messages from and to the other House, and to receive messages from the Executive and reports from the Committees on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills, after the 26th day of February, 1877, at 9 o'clock P. M."

Adopted, as amended.

Jt. Res. No. 36, A.,

Directing the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railroad Company to furnish without delay numbers of bonds of said company, for the purpose of voting, etc.

Was adopted.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Federal Relations have had under consideration the following memorials and resolutions, and report the same back as follows :

Mem. No. 8, A.,

Memorial to Congress for the establishment of a mail route from Friendship, in the county of Adams, to Liberty Bluff, in the county of Marquette.

No. 15, A.,

Asking Congress to make an appropriation to construct a light house at the mouth of the harbor of Menominee.

No. 20, A.,

Relating to an amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

With the recommendation that they severally pass.

No. 7, A.,

For the establishment of a money order department to the office at Osseo, Trempeleau county, Wis.

With the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

W. E. CARTER,
Chairman.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills have had under consideration the following bills and report the same correctly engrossed

No. 111, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of Wayne B. Dyer, as justice of the peace in the village of Durand, and county of Pepin.

No. 87, A.,

A bill relating to the geological survey of the State of Wisconsin,

and amendatory of chapter 292 of the general laws of 1873, entitled "an act to provide for a complete geological survey of Wisconsin, and to repeal chapter 137, of the laws of 1870, entitled 'an act to provide for a survey of the lead districts, making maps and collecting statistics from the same, and chapter 136, of laws of 1872, amendatory thereof.'"

No. 133, A.,

A bill to regulate the time of holding the circuit court in Portage county.

No. 101, A.,

A bill to authorize D. W. Tupper and Geo. E. Tupper and their associates, to improve Tupper's Creek, for log driving purposes.

No. 27, A.,

A bill to detach certain territory from the town of Orion, and attach the same to the town of Eagle, in the County of Richland, State of Wisconsin.

No. 32, A.,

A bill to regulate the practice in certain cases.

No. 146, A.,

A bill to provide for an abstract of tax titles in the county of Waushara, and amendatory of chapter 123, private and local laws of 1867.

No. 5, A.,

A bill to amend section 44, of chapter 165 of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of offenses against property," and the acts amendatory thereof.

No. 68, A.,

A bill relating to notaries public.

W. R. HERRON,
Chairman.

The Committee on Enrolled Bills have examined and find correctly enrolled the following bill:

No. 168, A.,

A bill relating to and amendatory of chapter 16 of the private and local laws for the year 1872, entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Eau Claire."

JOHN J. SENN,
Chairman.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

The Special Committee, to whom was referred bill

No. 434, A.,

A bill to amend section 2 of chapter 222, general laws of 1874, entitled "act to amend and revise the charter of the city of Wausau."

Have had the same under consideration and report the same back, and recommend its passage.

B. RINGLE,
Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Ringle,
No. 434, A.,

Was taken from the General File, rules suspended, read a third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Arnot,
No. 133, A.,

Was taken from the General File, rules suspended, read a third time and passed.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By A. J. TURNER, Chief Clerk thereof:

Mr. Speaker:—I am directed to inform you that the Senate has passed and asks the concurrence of the Assembly in

No. 43, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 111, of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of divorce."

No. 100, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the Superintendent of Public Property, a sum of money therein named, for the use of the state.

No. 175, S.,

A bill to amend section 6, of chapter 46, of the private and local laws of 1860, entitled "an act to promote the construction of horse railways in the city of La Crosse."

And has concurred in

No. 26, A.,

A bill to prevent the killing or disturbing wild pigeon, while on their brooding grounds.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Read first and second times and referred.

No. 43, S.,

To Committee on Judiciary.

No. 100, S.,

To Committee on Legislative Expenses.

No. 175, S.,

To Committee on Judiciary.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE LAYING
OVER.

No. 138, A.,

A bill to provide for purchasing 1,000 copies of a wall map of the State of Wisconsin, and supplying school districts with them at cost price.

Was on motion of Mr. Hyde, re-committed to Committee on Education.

On motion of Mr. Flinn,

No. 165, A.,

Was withdrawn from the Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, and re-committed to committee of one for perfection, and so referred to Mr. Flinn.

On motion of Mr. Leavens,

No. 103, A.,

Was taken from the general file, and re-committed to the Committee on Town and County Organization.

SPECIAL ORDER.

Being

Jt. Res. No. 7, A.,

And the following amendment offered by Mr. Hammel:

Amend by adding after the word "dead," in last line, the words "churches and charitable institutions," so it will read: "The rule of taxation shall be uniform, and taxes shall be levied upon all property except, only, public property, and places set apart and used for the burial of the dead, churches and charitable institutions."

On motion of Mr. Hammel it was taken up.

Mr. Merrill moved that the resolution and pending amendments be laid upon the table.

Upon which the ayes and nays were ordered, and motion lost by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Brost, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Dixon, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flynn, Gray, Hammel, Johnson, Kast, Kelley, Keogh, Kinzie, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Phillips, Roche, Scheuber, Shufelt, Thornton, Touhey, Vincent, Wall, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker—44.

Noes.—Messrs. Bock, Brooks, Burnet, Cash, W. E. Carter, Deland, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Fink, H. J. Fisk, Greening, Grover, Gætz, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnston, Knapp, Leavens, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Mitchell, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Shepard, Spence, Sylvester, Tisch, Truell, Vance, Van Waters, Walker, Wannemaker, Weeks, Wright—47.

Mr. Hyde offers the following amendment :

Amend the amendment by adding "exempt all church property to the amount of \$2,000, in towns and villages, to every congregation, and boards of trustees, and in cities to the amount of \$20,000 to every congregation and board of trustees, and colleges in the same manner and to like amounts."

Which was lost by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Arnot, Bailey, A. L. Baldwin, Burnett, Dixon, Dorwin, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Hyde, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Owen, Shepard, Vance, Weeks, Zeiman—17.

Nocs—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Phineas Baldwin, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Casn, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flynn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Götze, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hurlburt, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelley, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Mohr, Neuhauser, Newman, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shufelt, Spence, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wright, Mr. Speaker—74.

Mr. Hulburt moved the previous question ;

Pending which, Mr. Keogh moved a

CALL OF THE HOUSE,

Which was ordered.

The roll was called and the following members absent :

Messrs. Kinzie and Stapleton.

Mr. Fink moved that further proceedings under the call of the House be dispensed with.

Pending which Mr. Keogh moved to adjourn, which was lost by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Arnold, Brost, Carmicheal, Crockett, Dailey, Earnest, Fitzgerald, Götze, Keogh, Marx, Merrill, Mohr, Neuhauser, Roche, Scheuber, Tisch, Thornton, Wright—18.

Nocs—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, Brooks, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Dale, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, McCarty, Mitchell, Nelson, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Fink, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Weeks, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker—74.

Mr. Luchsinger moved that further proceedings under the call be dispensed with.

Which prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas

Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hammel, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelley, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Weeks, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker—86.

Noes—Messrs. Hubbard, Keogh, Lindsay, McCarty, Touhey, Wannemaker, Wright—7.

Mr. Spence moved the previous question, which being seconded, the main question was ordered by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Arnot, Bailey, Phincas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hammel, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelley, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Fink, Sarnow, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Weeks, Wright, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker—83.

Noes—Messrs. Bock, Flanders, Hubbard, McCollum, Nelson, Senn, Shufelt—7.

The question first being upon the adoption of the amendments to the amendment, it was lost.

The question now being upon the original amendment of Mr. Hammel, as follows: amend by adding after the word "dead," in last line, the words, "churches and charitable institutions," so it will read, "The rule of taxation shall be uniform, and taxes shall be levied upon all property except only public property and places set apart, and used for the burial of the dead, churches, and charitable institutions."

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Arnold, Bailey, Brost, Burnett, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dailey, Dorwin, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Hammel, Hubbard, Hyde, Johnson, Kast, Kelley, Keogh, Kinzie, Lindsay, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Owen, Roche, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Stapleton, Thornton, Touhey, Vance, Vincent, Wall, Wright, Zieman, Mr. Speaker—47.

Noes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnot, Phincas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, Brooks, Cash, W. E. Carter, Dale, Deland, Dixon, Doxtader, Dousman, Fink, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Johnston, Knapp, Leavens, Linderman, Luchsinger,

Maxwell, Mitchell, Newman, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Spence, Sylvester, Tisch, Truell, Van Waters, Walker, Wannemaker, Weeks—46.

The question now being, shall the resolution be ordered engrossed for a third reading,

It was lost by the following vote :

Ayes.—Messrs. Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Brooks, Burnett, Cash, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Dorwin, Dousman, H. J. Fisk, Field, Flanders, Greening, Goetze, Hammel, Hubbard, Hyde, Johnson, Kast, McCollum, McCarty, Mohr, Neuhauser, Owen, Pope, Ringle, Shepard, Spence, Stapleton, Tisch, Touhey, Vance, Van Waters, Wall, Weeks, Wright, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker—39.

Noes.—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Bock, Brost, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Deland, Dixon, Doxtader, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, Fitzgerald, Flinn, Gray, Grover, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Johnston, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Newman, Pierce, Phillips, Ries, Rice, Roche, Fink, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shufelt, Sylvester, Thornton, Truell, Vincent, Walker, Wannemaker—54.

And the Assembly refused to order the resolution to engrossment for a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Pope,

The Assembly adjourned until 7:30 o'clock this evening.

7:30 P. M.

Assembly met,

The Speaker in the chair.

The roll was called and the following members present :

Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, W. J. Fisk, Fink, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Leavens, Lindsay, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Vance, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker—88.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Blakslee, Brooks, Black, Wyatt—4.

Absent—Messrs. Dailey, Earnest, H. J. Fisk, Hamilton, Linderman, Truell, Walker—7.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Was granted to Messrs. Linderman, H. J. Fisk, Stapleton, and Hamilton, till Wednesday morning.

To Mr. Cash and Truell, for one hour.

MEMORIALS PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. Hammel:

Mem. No. 180, A.,

Remonstrance of D. L. Montgomery and 27 others of Clark county, against the passage of bills Nos. 266 and 333, A.

To Committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Hammel:

Mem. No. 181, A.,

Remonstrance of W. T. Henry and 12 others of Clark county, against the passage of bills 266 and 333, A.

To Committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Ringle:

Mem. No. 182, A.,

Remonstrance of Joseph Haunk and 30 others of Clark county, against the passage of bills 266 and 333, A.

To Committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Ringle:

Mem. No. 183, A.,

Remonstrance of Wm. Tessmor and fourteen others, against the passage of bills Nos. 266 and 333, A.

To Committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Ringle:

Mem. No. 184, A.,

Remonstrance of D. J. Thomas and thirty others against the passage of bills Nos. 266 and 333, A.

To Committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Ringle:

Mem. No. 184, A.,

Remonstrance of A. Lamont and twenty-six others, against the passage of bills Nos. 266 and 333, A.

To Committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Grover:

Mem. No. 186, A.,

Remonstrance of M. Whinery and 14 others against the passage of the bill exempting the North Wisconsin Railroad lands from taxation.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Grover:

Mem. No. 187, A.,

Remonstrance of Geo. Anderson and 39 others against the ex-

emption of the lands of the North Wisconsin Railroad lands from taxation.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

COMMUNICATIONS.

MADISON, WIS., Feb., 13th, 1877.

Hon. J. B. Cassady, Speaker:

Enclosed you will find answer of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway Company, to
Res. No. 36, A.

Yours, etc.,

JOHN W. CARY.

In answer to resolution, No. 36, A., calling upon "the proper officers of this company to certify under oath the numbers of the bonds of said company registered for purpose of voting, and the names in which registered," we answer that we have no means of giving the numbers of the bonds registered, short of sending to the registry in New York, and procuring a copy thereof, which we will do if desired. Supposing, however, that what was intended was the number of bonds registered, and the names in which they are registered, we answer, that at the annual meeting in June last, 5,430 bonds were registered, amounting to \$5,430,000, and representing 54,300 votes, and were registered in the names and for the amounts respectively contained in the schedule hereto annexed. Said schedule is a complete list of all bonds registered up to that time. We cannot say that these registrations were made for the purpose of voting, and presume they were not in all cases, as only about one-half in amount voted at that election. The registry makes the bond transferable only as a registered bond, and not by delivery, and we have no doubt that the greater part of them were registered for that purpose, and not for the purpose of voting.

Bonds are not in any case registered to bearer, but always in the name of the owner.

The rules for registration of bonds are, that the owner of any bond of the company, except those issued with scrip stock attached, may, on presenting his bond at the proper registry and signing his name in the proper book, or furnishing his signature to be placed in said book, have his bond registered and stamped as a registered bond and, after it is so registered, such bond is not transferable by delivery, but only by a transfer on said registry and on the written request of the person so registered, signed by his or her name. And after a bond is so registered the owner is entitled to one vote for every \$100 in amount so registered, so long as the bond remains registered in his or her name.

There were 2733 such bonds, amounting to \$2,733,000 and casting 27,330 votes, which voted at the last election of directors at the annual meeting in June last. The persons in whose names they were registered, voted upon them at said election, and are distinguished on the annexed list, by a check mark (*b*) opposite the number of votes.

The foregoing statement answers the inquiries made by said resolution, No. 36, A., to the best of our knowledge and belief.

S. S. MERRILL,
Gen'l Manager.
JOHN W. CARY,
Solicitor.

STATE OF WISCONSIN, }
DANE COUNTY. } ss.

S. S. Merrill and John W. Cary being severally duly sworn depose and say that the foregoing statement signed by them, is true in substance and matter of fact, to the best of their knowledge and belief.

S. S. MERRILL,
JOHN W. CARY.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, February 13th, 1871.

CHARLES N. GREGORY,
Notary Public, Dane County, Wisconsin.

Name of Owner.	Residence.	No. Votes.	Amount.	No. B'ds
Edwin J. Adams.....	Washington, D. C.	10	\$1,000	1
Melanie Adams.....	do.....	20	2,000	2
Wm. Adams <i>et al.</i> , trustees.....	New York.....	40	4,000	4
Wm. Addison, attorney.....	do.....	20	2,000	2
John P. Adriance.....	Poughkeepsie, N. Y.	100	10,000	10
J. Reynold Adriance.....	do.....	10	1,000	1
F. Alexandre & Sons.....	New York.....	40	4,000	4
Henry Wilder Allen.....	do.....	20	2,000	2
Chas V. Antonie.....	do.....	50	5,000	5
V. Antonie.....	do.....	10	1,000	1
Dan. H. Arnold.....	New York.....	20	2,000	2
Francisca Angero.....	do.....	30	3,000	3
Samuel Aymor.....	do.....	20	2,000	2
David Barker.....	do.....	10	1,000	1
Ashbel H. Barney.....	do.....	10	1,000	1
Sarah E. Barney.....	do.....	100	10,000	10
Wm. S. Barr, <i>et al.</i> , trustees.....	do.....	200	20,000	20
Julia Bailey.....	do.....	60	6,000	6
Mrs. Mary C. Beach.....	New York.....	550	5,000	5
Alice Beckman.....	do.....	10	1,000	1
Isabella L. Beckman.....	do.....	10	1,000	1
A. Belmont & Co.....	New York.....	120	12,000	12

Name of Owner.	Residence.	No. Votes.	Amount.	No. B'ds
Wm. S. Benedict.....		10	1,000	1
James Benkard.....	New York.....	30	3,000	3
Jas. Benkard & Hutton.....	do.....	6560	56,000	56
Annie C. Bettuer.....	do.....	150	15,000	15
D. W. Bishop.....	do.....	50	5,000	5
Maria Bishop.....		10	1,000	1
Ed. Blackburn & Co., in trust.....	New York.....	240	24,000	24
Henry A. Bogert.....	do.....	50	5,000	5
Henry A. Bogert, <i>et al.</i> , trustees.....	do.....	60	6,000	6
James L. Bogert.....	do.....	270	27,000	27
James E. Barden.....		10	1,000	1
Sarah A. Bareel.....		200	20,000	20
Charlotte S. Bradley.....		10	1,000	1
Julia S. Brandegee.....		30	3,000	3
Martha E. Brantingham.....		20	2,000	2
Edward F. Brown.....		10	1,000	1
John B. Brown.....		10	1,000	1
Geo. and Sam'l Brown Bro's & Co. in trust.....	New York.....	6150	15,000	15
David W. Bruce <i>et al</i> trustees.....		230	23,000	23
Isaac H. Burch.....		100	10,000	10
Henry V. Burgy.....		50	5,000	5
John M. Burke.....	New York.....	6500	50,000	50
Wm. Butler.....	Boston.....	10	1,000	1
Rev. Philander K. Cady.....	Poughkeepsie, N. Y.....	50	5,000	5
E. Caldwell in trust.....		10	1,000	1
Jane M. Campbell.....		40	4,000	4
John Campbell.....		100	10,000	10
Charles Cary.....		40	4,000	4
Chamber of Commerce of city of Milwaukee.....		6160	16,000	16
R. J. Chesebrough.....		100	10,000	10
John F. Clapp.....		50	5,000	5
Caroline S. Clark.....	Rochester, N. Y.....	50	5,000	5
Mary H. Clark.....	do.....	50	5,000	5
Mrs. Lucretia M. Clay.....	New York.....	610	1,000	1
T. W. Clerke.....		100	10,000	10
W. B. Clerke, guardian.....		10	1,000	1
Smith Clift, executor.....		20	2,000	2
Harriet Coles.....		10	1,000	1
Mrs. Charlotte Coristantine.....	West Farm, N. Y.....	10	1,000	1
Solomon Carwall.....		30	3,000	3
Isreal Carse.....	New York.....	6340	34,000	34
Lewis T. Covell.....		10	1,000	1
Abraham B. Coxas, executor.....		10	1,000	1
F. A. Crocker.....	New York.....	630	3,000	3
Richard L. Crook.....	do.....	610	1,000	1
W. S. Curtis.....		20	2,000	2
Henry Darrell.....		50	5,000	5
Julia D. K. Davis.....		50	5,000	5
Elizabeth O. Dawson.....		200	20,000	20
Sarah A. Day.....		10	1,000	1
Annette De Carouse.....		40	4,000	4
Mrs. Jane A. De Coppet.....	New York.....	30	3,000	3
Walter M. Degran.....		30	3,000	3
Wm. Devlin.....		60	6,000	6
E. B. Dickerman.....		50	5,000	5

Name of Owner.	Residence.	No. votes.	Amount.	No. bond
Chas D. Dickey.....		20	2,000	2
Chas. Bigglemann.....		100	10,000	10
Abm. L. Ditmars.....		10	1,000	1
Geo. B. Darr.....		150	15,000	15
Jason Downer.....	Milwaukee.....	680	8,000	8
David Dows.....	New York.....	6290	29,000	29
W. P. Draper.....		100	10,000	10
Georgianna Dumont.....		10	1,000	1
Isaac Durlach.....	New York.....	80	8,000	8
Felix Durruthy.....		50	5,000	5
Theo W. Dwight.....		50	5,000	5
Anthony R. Dyett.....		10	1,000	1
Chas. Edwards.....		20	2,000	2
Thos. Elmondorf.....	Red Hook, N. Y.....	10	1,000	1
Robert Ernst.....		50	5,000	5
Henry Escher.....		180	18,000	18
Ramon M. Estevez.....		50	5,000	5
Victor Fauchi.....		100	10,000	10
Mrs. Julia E. Ferry.....	New York.....	610	1,000	1
Wm. Flanders.....	do.....	20	2,000	2
Austin Flint, Sr.....	do.....	10	1,000	1
Wm. C. Foote.....	do.....	10	1,000	1
Francis A. Foster.....		10	1,000	1
James P. Foster.....		20	2,000	2
Job C. Foster.....		10	1,000	1
Foster & Co.....		20	2,000	2
John S. Fraser.....		60	6,000	6
Jas. Anthony Froude.....		100	10,000	10
Wm. H. Fry.....	New York.....	30	3,000	3
Francis P. Fernald.....	do.....	6100	10,000	10
James G. Garner.....		1880	188,000	188
Julia A. Gentil.....	New York.....	50	5,000	5
Theo. Gentil.....	do.....	120	12,000	12
Simeon Gerger.....		100	10,000	10
Claude Gignorex.....	France.....	20	2,000	20
Harriet Gignourex.....		100	10,000	10
Henry Beers Glover.....	Newton, Conn.....	610	1,000	1
A. Groettel & Co.....	New York.....	20	2,000	2
Catherine B. Gold.....		10	1,000	1
Mary L. R. Goodridge.....		50	5,000	5
James Gray.....		50	5,000	5
Samuel Green.....	Athens, N. Y.....	620	2,000	2
John R. Griffith.....		100	10,000	10
W. H. Griffith.....		50	5,000	5
John C. Gunthier.....	New York.....	150	15,000	15
Augustus C. Gurnee.....	do.....	500	50,000	50
W. S. Gurnee.....		65130	513,000	513
Ed. D. Halsey, trustee.....		20	2,000	2
Maurice Hanelschin.....		10	1,000	1
Benj. C. Hardenbrook.....		80	8,000	8
Chas. A. Hawley.....		50	5,000	5
Emeline S. Hawley.....		10	1,000	1
Elizabeth B. Heath.....	New York.....	110	11,000	11
Wm. and Jane Henderson.....	Scotland.....	10	1,000	1
Louis Herpin.....		50	5,000	5
Elizabeth T. Herrick.....		50	5,000	5
Jane S. Hillyard.....		50	5,000	5

Name of Owner.	Residence.	No. Votes.	Amount.	No. B'ds
Wm. H. Hiscox.....		50	5,000	5
John W. Hoffman.....	New York.....	6120	12,000	12
Mary Hogan.....		40	4,000	4
E. W. Holberg.....		150	15,000	15
John C. Honeyman		10	1,000	1
Peter A. Honeyman.....		20	2,000	2
Jane Hope.....	New York.....	20	2,000	2
Henry Howard.....	do.....	650	5,000	5
John P. Howard.....	do.....	50	5,000	5
Martin A. Howell.....	New Brunswick, N. J.....	610	1,000	1
David M. Hughes.....		50	5,000	5
Ann O. Humphrey.....		50	5,000	5
Peter Hunt.....	Stonington, Conn.....	10	1,000	1
A. Iselin & Co.	New York.....	62040	204,000	204
A. Iselin & Co. trustees,	do.....	6150	15,000	15
Theo. L. Jackson.....		10	1,000	1
Jacquelin & De Coppet.....		6130	13,000	13
Louise G. James.....		60	6,000	6
Goldsmith D. Johnes.....	Newburgh, N. Y.....	10	1,000	1
Mary B. Johnson.....		20	2,000	2
Medora Johnson		20	2,000	2
Martha M. Jones.....	New Brighton, N. Y.....	50	5,000	5
R. Adele Jones.....		30	3,000	3
Chase Julien.....		60	6,000	6
Jas. R. Kearney		10	1,000	1
Chas. N. Keller.....		80	8,000	8
Heloise Keller.....		30	3,000	3
Louis Keller.....		20	2,000	2
Justin P. Kellogg.....		20	2,000	2
Geo. W. Ketcham.....		50	5,000	5
Henry G. C. Ketchum		50	5,000	5
Geo. G. King, guardian		250	25,000	25
Henry L. King <i>et al.</i> , trustees.....	Albany, N. Y.....	50	5,000	5
J. Howard King.....	do.....	620	2,000	2
Rufus H. King.....	do.....	10	1,000	1
Chas. Kneeland		420	42,000	42
Edurie Knickerbocker		10	1,000	1
John Knower.....		6260	26,000	26
Chas. G. Landon.....	New York.....	50	5,000	5
Maria C. Lawrence.....		80	8,000	8
Jacob H. Lazarus.....	New York.....	20	2,000	2
Fred'k Lenke.....	Williamston, Mass.....	100	10,000	10
Julius Leblanc.....		50	5,000	5
Maria Le Clerc, trustee.....		10	1,000	1
Harvey Leonard.....		10	1,000	1
H. Lambert, in trust.....	New York.....	10	1,000	1
Elise Limbert.....	do.....	10	1,000	1
Maria W. Loomis.....		20	2,000	2
L. Larnt.....		30	3,000	3
T. Luling.....	New York.....	220	22,000	22
J. M. Landbarg.....		20	2,000	2
Orvill D. Lovell.....		20	2,000	2
N. L. McCreedy	New York.....	650	5,000	5
Peter McEwan.....		30	3,000	3
Hugh McKay.....		20	2,000	2
Jas. M. McKinlay.....	New York.....	620	2,000	2
James L. McLane.....		100	10,000	10

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H. W. T. Mali & Co.....	New York.....	6200	20,000	20
Reuben Manly.....	do.....	50	5,000	5
Babbette Marcus.....	do.....	40	4,000	4
Peter Marie, and John Steward trustees.....		6100	10,000	10
Ralph Marsh.....		150	15,000	15
Bradly Martin.....	New York.....	500	50,000	50
Susan W. Mason, executrix.....		100	10,000	10
R. C. Massonneau.....		40	4,000	4
Chas. D. Mead.....		70	7,000	7
Mary W. Mead.....	Brooklyn, N. Y.....	10	1,000	1
S. S. Merrill.....	Milwaukee, Wis.....	640	4,000	4
Thos. H. H. Messinger.....		100	10,000	10
F. W. Meyer.....		100	10,000	10
Henry Meyer.....		50	5,000	5
Thomas C. Meyer.....		90	9,000	9
Susan U. Mills.....		50	5,000	5
Alex. Mitchell.....	Milwaukee.....	61,000	100,000	100
Geo. Moke.....		50	5,000	5
Marg A. Montgomery.....		10	1,000	1
John P. Moore.....		620	2,000	2
Moran, Bros., In Trust.....	New York.....	80	8,000	8
D. P. Morgan, et. al. Trustee.....		500	50,000	50
J. A. Morrison.....		100	10,000	10
Thos. H. Morison.....	Norwalk, Conn.....	100	10,000	10
Harriet H. Morse.....		10	1,000	1
Wm. F. Mott.....		20	2,000	2
Eli Mygatt.....	New Milford, Conn.....	620	2,000	2
Chas. F. Neilson.....		400	40,000	40
Chas. H. Neilson.....	New York.....	50	5,000	5
Emily Neilson.....		150	15,000	15
Helena Neilson.....		50	5,000	5
Margaret Neilson.....		50	5,000	5
Sarah Neilson.....		10	1,000	1
N. Y. Asylum.....		50	5,000	5
Sarah B. Nevins.....		40	4,000	4
W. D. Nichols.....	New York.....	650	5,000	5
Auguste Noel.....		110	11,100	11
Thos. M. North.....		120	12,000	12
C. O. O'Donnell.....		20	2,000	2
Bernard J. Oettinger.....		80	8,000	8
Harriet M. Olcott.....		10	1,000	1
Emily Underdonk.....		50	5,000	5
Emilie K. Owen.....	New York.....	90	9,000	9
Thos. Owen.....	do.....	100	10,000	10
Mrs. Anna P. D. Parsons.....	Morristown, N. J.,.....	30	3,000	3
Chas. A. Penbody.....		100	10,000	10
Frances M. Pell.....	New York.....	20	2,000	2
Geo. W. Pell, Committee.....	do.....	60	6,000	6
John A. Pell.....	New York.....	210	21,000	21
Mary B. Pell.....	do.....	70	7,000	7
Simeon F. Perry.....	Westerly, R. I.....	40	4,000	4
M. D. L. F. Phillips.....	Red Hook, N. Y.....	20	2,000	2
Mary G. Pinkney.....		50	5,000	5
S. R. Platt.....		120	12,000	12
Elias Plumb.....	Troy, N. Y.....	690	9,000	9
George Pomeroy.....	New York.....	210	21,000	21

Name of Owner.	Residence.	No. Votes.	Amount.	No. B'ds
F. Pons.....		50	5,000	5
Thos. Porteous.....		70	7,000	7
F. A. Post.....		50	5,000	5
W. H. Potter.....	Kingston, R. I.....	620	2,000	2
Catherine A. Quincey.....		50	5,000	5
J. S. Ratcliffe.....		140	14,000	14
David Rait, trustee.....	New York.....	50	5,000	5
C. L. F. Randolph.....		50	5,000	5
Rowland Redmond.....		100	10,000	10
Hans Rees, att'y.....		60	6,000	6
Julius Raynold.....		30	3,000	3
Chas. Rhins.....	New York.....	110	11,000	11
Enos Richardson.....		6100	10,000	10
Cynthia Ryder.....		30	3,000	3
J. Rilliet.....	New York.....	30	3,000	3
Marie S. Robert.....		30	3,000	3
Dan'l C. Robinson.....		20	2,000	2
H. A. Rolikee.....		10	1,000	1
Chas. W. Rosenberg.....		100	10,000	10
Joseph Rudd.....	New York.....	1390	139,000	139
Adolph Rusch.....	do.....	80	8,000	8
A. Rusch & Co., in trust.....	do.....	130	13,000	13
Gardner A. Sage.....		100	10,000	10
Lucy M. Sanger.....		10	1,000	1
Wm. Shaus.....	New York.....	300	30,000	30
Chas. F. Schmidt.....		50	5,000	5
J. H. Schmidt.....		50	5,000	5
Russell Sage.....		4560	456,000	456
Carlotta Lazerac, administratrix.....		80	8,000	8
M. Gorguie Schmitzspalen.....		20	2,000	2
Geo. Scofield.....	Stanford, Conn.....	50	5,000	5
Wm. D. Scott.....	New York.....	200	20,000	20
E. P. Scott & Co.....	do.....	61,000	100,000	100
Oliver H. Shepard.....		50	5,000	5
Isaac Sherman.....	New York.....	63,000	300,000	300
Wm. E. Sill, trustee.....	Geneva, N. Y.....	20	2,000	2
Michael H. Simpson.....	Roston.....	6160	16,000	16
John F. Slater.....	Norwich, Conn.....	660	6,000	6
Geo. Smith.....	London, Eng.....	68,860	886,000	886
Winthrop B. Smith.....		150	15,000	15
Henry W. Smithers.....		70	7,000	7
M. A. Sorchall.....		230	23,000	23
Dr. Lewis Spanhacker.....		10	1,000	1
Mrs. Harriet H. Spear.....		20	2,000	2
Abbey R. Spence.....		20	2,000	2
A. W. Spies.....		620	2,000	2
Ely Stanley.....		50	5,000	5
Millicent Stebbins.....		50	5,000	5
Aug. Stern.....		100	10,000	10
Eleanor Ida Stewart.....		10	1,000	1
Wm. H. Stewart.....	Paris.....	200	20,000	20
A. H. Starrs.....		100	10,000	10
Origin Starrs.....		10	1,000	1
Wm. Strachan, et al., executors.....	England.....	300	30,000	30
Alanson Sumner.....	Albany, N. Y.....	190	19,000	19
N. G. Swift.....	Amenia.....	10	1,000	1
J. S. Thebaud.....	New York.....	100	10,000	10

Name of Owner.	Residence.	No. Votes.	Amount.	No. B'ds
Elizabeth Thomas.....	.....	10	1,000	1
F. A. Tiffany.....	.....	10	1,000	1
Epenutus Titus.....	Athens.....	410	1,000	1
Geo. Titus.....	do.....	430	3,000	3
R. W. Townsend.....	Newburg, N. Y.	4180	18,000	18
Ed. Tracy.....	Lansingburgh, N. Y.	60	6,000	6
Tracy & Russell.....	New York.....	70	7,000	7
Merritt Trimbald.....	.....	20	2,000	2
Chas. H. Tucker.....	.....	50	5,000	5
J. M. Tufts.....	Rahway, N. J.....	40	4,000	4
S. H. Tukay.....	New York.....	10	1,000	1
John Tyson.....	New York.....	30	3,000	3
Helen M. Vanderwerker.....	New York.....	10	1,000	1
Abraham Varick.....	Poughkeepsie.....	410	1,000	1
John Guy Vassar.....	do.....	4760	76,000	76
Matthew Vassar, Jr.....	do.....	4150	15,000	15
James Verdon.....	Plainfield, N. J.....	410	1,000	1
Catherine A. Wadsworth.....	.....	50	5,000	5
Wm. Walker.....	.....	40	4,000	4
Wm. F. Weld.....	.....	41900	190,000	190
Edw'd. Weston.....	New York.....	120	12,000	12
Weston & DeBillier.....	.....	440	4,000	4
Wm. H. White.....	.....	50	5,000	5
Claressa Wibirt.....	New York.....	50	5,000	5
Chas. P. Williams.....	Stonington, Conn.....	60	6,000	6
Mary A. Williams.....	New York.....	30	3,000	3
Catlin Wilson.....	do.....	100	10,000	10
C. Ed. Winter.....	.....	50	5,000	5
John A. Winterhoff.....	.....	50	5,000	5
Hannah J. Woodhull.....	.....	20	2,000	2
Ewer C. Worster.....	New York.....	4100	10,000	10
Total amount registered.....	.....	54,300	3,430,000	5430
Total amount voted.....	.....	28,330	2,833,000	2833

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Rice :

Res. No. 37, A.,

Resolved, That the chief clerk be, and hereby is, authorized to employ such copyists as he may require, for the purpose of enrolling and engrossing, at a compensation not to exceed 50 cents per hour, or if employed by the folio, the compensation not to exceed ten cents per folio.

The following amendment was offered by Mr. Flanders :

Instead of the word "ten," insert the word "five," and instead of the word "fifty," insert the word "twenty-five."

On motion of Mr. Hubbard, the resolution and the amendment were referred to Committee on Legislative Expenses.

By Mr. Brooks :

Res. No. 38, A.,

Resolved, That the sergeant-at-arms be, and hereby is, instructed

to remove desk and chair No. 57 to the rear of desks No. 97 and 98 and that the same be occupied by Mr. Innis.

Adopted.

Mr. Ries moved that the vote by which the Assembly refused to order the engrossment and third reading, the

Jt. Res. No. 7, A.,

Be reconsidered.

Mr. Bailey moved that the motion be laid upon the table.

Carried.

ASSEMBLY BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

On motion of Mr. Kelly,

M. C., No. 10, A.,

Memorial to congress for the enactment of laws for the improvement of the condition of the Oneida tribe of Indians, located in the counties of Brown and Outagamie, and in the interest of civilization and humanity.

Was taken from the general file, rules suspended. read a third time and passed.

No. 5, A.,

A bill to amend section 44, of chapter 165 of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of offenses against property," and the acts amendatory thereof.

No. 27, A.,

A bill to detach certain territory from the town of Orion, and attach the same to the town of Eagle, in the County of Richland, State of Wisconsin.

No. 32, A.,

A bill to regulate the practice in certain cases.

No. 68, A.,

A bill relating to notaries public.

No. 87, A.,

A bill relating to the geological survey of the State of Wisconsin, and amendatory of chapter 292 of the general laws of 1873, entitled "an act to provide for a complete geological survey of Wisconsin, and to repeal chapter 137, of the general laws of 1870, entitled 'an act to provide for a survey of the lead districts, making maps and collecting statistics from the same, and chapter 136, of the general laws of 1872, amendatory thereof.'"

No. 323, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts and proceedings of officers of the town of Rosendale, in assessment and collection of taxes to aid in the construction of the Sheboygan & Fond du Lac Railroad.

No. 101, A.,

A bill to authorize D. W. Tupper and Geo. E. Tupper and their associates, to improve Tupper's Creek, for log-driving purposes.

No. 111, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of Wayne B. Dyer, as justice of the peace in the village of Durand, and county of Pepin.

No. 146, A.,

A bill to provide for an abstract of tax titles in the county of Waushara, and amendatory of chapter 123, private and local laws of 1867.

No. 2, A.,

A bill relating to hawkers and dealers, and amendatory of section 3, of chapter 395 of laws of 1876.

On motion of Mr. Hyde,

No. 23, A.,

Was taken up, rules suspended, read a third time and passed.

No. 2, A.,

Adopted as substitute for Nos. 2 and 20, A., and ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Sylvester,

No. 106, A.,

Was taken from general file, and referred to select committee of one.

Mr. Sylvester, that committee.

On motion of Mr. W. J. Fisk,

The use of the Assembly chamber was granted to the railroad committee to-morrow afternoon, to hear the arguments pro and con on bill No. 280, A.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on the Judiciary have had under consideration the following bills and report the same back as follows :

No. 210, A.,

A bill to guard against the abuse of the elective franchise and to preserve the purity of elections by regulating the appointment of Inspectors of Election and requiring a registration of electors in certain cases ; to repeal chapter 445 of the laws of 1864, chapter 290 of the laws of 1865, chapter 126 of the laws of 1866, chapter 131 of the laws of 1871, chapter 232 of the laws of 1875, chapter 302 of the laws of 1876; and amendatory of certain city and village charters therein referred to.

No. 226, A.,

A bill in relation to the settlement of estates, where the county judge is incapacitated, and to amend section 16, of chapter 117, of the Revised Statutes.

No. 253, A.,

A bill relating to costs and fees, and amendatory of sections 1 and 4, chapter 133, Revised Statutes, and the several acts amendatory thereof.

No. 255, A.,

A bill relating to actions and proceedings by non-residents, guardians, and amendatory of section 1, of chapter 73, of the general laws of 1871.

No. 195, A.,

A bill relating to the organization of manufacturing companies, and other purposes, and amendatory of section 12, of chapter 144, of the general laws of 1872.

Each without an amendment and passage recommended.

No. 351, A.,

A bill to provide for the holding of the December term of the Circuit Court for the county of Waupaca, at the village of New London in said county.

No. 264, A.,

A bill to constitute the clerk of the circuit court of Clark county, Wisconsin, clerk of the county court of said county in probate and all other proceedings therein.

No. 326, A.,

A bill relating to the form of ballots to be used at elections.

No. 295, A.,

A bill relating to partition fences, in certain cases.

No. 294, A.,

A bill relating to the indexing of records for Door county.

No. 236, A.,

A bill to protect contractors, sub-contractors, and laborers, in their claims against railroads, companies and corporations, contractors and sub-contractors.

No. 283, A.,

A bill to abolish monopolies.

No. 202, A.,

A bill to provide for the support of married women and their minor children, and for the custody of minor children by their mothers, in certain cases.

No. 188, A.,

A bill relating to justices of the peace and constables in incorporated villages, and amendatory of section 2, chapter 319 of the laws of Wisconsin for 1874, entitled "an act to provide for justices of the peace and constables in incorporated villages."

No. 219, A.,

A bill relating to state funds.

No. 203, A.,

Relating to exemptions of mechanics and laborers, and amendatory of chapter 148 of the general laws of Wisconsin for 1858, and chapter 280 of the general laws of 1861, amendatory thereof.

No. 153, A.,

A bill to reconstruct the ninth judicial circuit and fix the time of holding the terms thereof, and authorizing the appointment of phonographic reporters therefor.

No. 218, A.,

A bill to amend the constitution of Wisconsin, relating to appointing judges of courts, and to compensation of members of the legislature.

Each without amendments, and recommendation of indefinite postponement.

Mssrs. Kelly, Pierce and Flanders dissent from report on No. 202, A.

No. 228, A.,

A bill to enable grantees, under foreclosure of mortgage, by virtue of chapter 154 of the Revised Statutes, to obtain possession.

With the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

No. 227, A.,

A bill relating to costs and fees, and amending section 33 of chapter 133 of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of costs and fees."

Without amendment, and recommend its passage.

The Committee in pursuance of resolution No. 29, A., report

A bill to provide for the appointment of five commissioners who shall report to the next legislature certain information, and who shall report to said legislature a bill to re-district the state into judicial circuits, equalizing the labor of the judges thereof, and determining the salaries of said judges.

No. 333, A.,

A bill to authorize the county board of supervisors of Clark to levy and collect a tax for the purpose of building a road in Clark county, Wisconsin.

Recommend that the same be re-referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

No. 247, A.,

A bill relating to justices of the peace and constables in the city of Milwaukee, and to repeal chapter 191, of the general laws of 1876.

Recommend that the same be re-referred to the Milwaukee Delegation.

CARL C. POPE,
Chairman.

The Committee on Railroads have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows :

No. 4, S.,

A bill to extend the time of exemption from assessment and taxation of certain lands, fixed in the act incorporating the Winnebago and Lake Superior railroad company, approved April 6th, 1866, and in the act incorporating the Portage and Superior railroad company, approved April 9th, 1866.

Not being able to agree to a unanimous report on the same, and in order to express their views, would require a majority and a minority report, and as the bill has been publicly and ably discussed in all its bearings before the house, your committee have therefore, agreed to report the same back without recommendation.

No. 307, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 57, of the general laws of 1876, entitled "an act to amend chapter 273, of the general laws of 1874, relating

to railroads, express and telegraph companies of the State of Wisconsin."

No. 414, A.,

A bill relating to railroads and amendatory of section 7, of chapter 57, of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1876.

And recommend that they be indefinitely postponed.

W. J. FISK,
Chairman.

The Committee on Town and County Organization have had under consideration the following bill, and report the same back as follows :

Substitute for 105, A.,

With amendment, and recommend its passage when so amended.

H. P. LEAVENS,
Chairman.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same correctly engrossed :

No. 78, A.,

A bill to confer civil jurisdiction on the county court of Fond du Lac county.

No. 229, A.,

A bill to prevent fraud by coloring grain.

No. 64, A.,

A bill relating to certain offenses against chastity, morality and decency, and amendatory of section five of chapter 170 of the Revised Statutes.

No. 129, A.,

A bill regulating the salary of the county judge of Milwaukee county.

W. R. HERRON,
Chairman.

The Committee on Enrolled Bills have examined and find correctly enrolled the following bill :

No. 15, A.,

A bill relating to the terms of the several circuit courts of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit, petit juries therein and authorizing the employment of a phonographic reporter therein, and fixing the compensation of said reporter.

JOHN J. SENN,
Chairman.

The Committee on Incorporations have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows :

No. 157, A.,

A bill relation to laying out building lots in villages and cities and amendatory of chapter 22 of the laws of 1876.

The Committee recommend that it be indefinitely postponed.

No. 173, A.,

A bill to incorporate the city of Chilton.

The Committee report the same back with amendments and recommend its passage when so amended.

A. D. DeLAND,
Chairman.

The Committee on Agriculture have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows:

No. 306, A.,

A bill to amend sections 6 and 8 of chapter 93, of the general laws of 1870, entitled "an act for the improvement and raising of stock."

No. 271, A.,

A bill for the preservation of fish in Waukesha county.

Recommend that the above mentioned bills be indefinitely postponed.

No. 322, A.,

A bill relating to the size of the mesh used in trap or pound nets.

No. 221, A.,

A bill relating to the distraining of cattle doing damage, and amendatory of section 1, chapter 51, of the Revised Statutes.

And recommend that they do pass.

W. T. BROOKS,
Chairman.

The Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes have had under consideration

No. 323, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts and proceedings of officers of the town of Rosendale, in assessment and collection of taxes to aid in the construction of the Sheboygan & Fond du Lac Railroad.

And report the same back without amendment and recommend its passage.

The annexed statement made by the town clerk, of the town of Rosendale, Fond du Lac county, furnishing (in the estimation of this committee) good reasons for the necessity of the passage of this bill.

ROSENDALE, FOND DU LAC Co.,
February 12, 1877.

I do hereby certify that I find on file in my office the original notice that was served on the said town of Rosendale, by the S. &

F. R. R., that they would canvass the said town for aid to said railroad, under an act entitled," an act to enable certain counties, towns, cities, and incorporated villages, to aid in the construction of the said S. & F. R. R., "approved February 17, 1871. Said notice bears date of execution by T. F. Strong, president of said railroad, February 28, 1871, and I also find that the canvass of said votes was held on the 29th day of May, 1871, and I further certify that on the 11th day of November, 1871, at a special town meeting called for the purpose of repudiating said tax, the following form of ballot was agreed upon, those in favor of paying the tax "Against repudiation, Rosendale will pay its railroad tax." Those opposed to the tax voted a ballot "Against railroad tax." The result of said meeting was 213 votes, 135 of which were against repudiation, and for paying the tax, and 75 were against paying the tax, and three votes did not express anything; and I further certify that the supervisors of the said town of Rosendale did, on the 3d day of June, 1871, adopt a resolution to issue the bonds of the town as provided in the said proposition for aid, and did so issue, and that the said bonds have all been paid.

CHARLES PHISBURG,
Town Clerk.

Nos. 186, A.,

Without amendment, and its passage recommended.

No. 217, A.,

Without recommendation.

Mem. No. 134, A.,

With the recommendation that no action be taken thereon.

D. P. HULL,
Chairman.

The Committee on Education, to whom was referred

No. 102, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 117, General Laws of 1876, entitled "an act to permanently provide for deficiencies in the University Fund Income."

Have considered the same and respectfully report, that their investigation has developed the following facts.

In 1838, Congress donated two townships of land "for the support of a University," in Wisconsin. Ten years later the people of Wisconsin adopted a constitution, in which they declared that "provision shall be made by law for the establishment of a State University."

In 1854, Congress granted seventy-two sections of land "for the benefit and in aid of the University."

In 1862, Congress granted 240,000 acres of land for the support of the present University. This is an aggregate of 332,160 acres of land, and not an acre of it belonging to the state for its own use.

In the act of 1838, congress declared that the donation was "for the use and support of a University in Wisconsin, and for no other

use or purpose whatsoever," and in the act of 1854, almost the same language was used.

In the act of 1862, by which nearly three-fourths of all the land was granted, congress went further, and declared that the proceeds of these lands, "shall be applied without any diminution whatever," that, "if any portion of the fund thus derived, or the interest thereon, shall by any action or contingency be diminished or lost, it shall be replaced by the state to which it belongs, so that the capital of the fund shall remain forever undiminished, and the annual interest shall be applied without diminution." It was further provided that "no portion of said fund, nor the interest thereon, shall be applied directly or indirectly, under any pretence whatever, to the purchase, erection, or repair of any building or buildings," and congress demanded that the state should formally accept the grant upon these specific conditions, before the land should be turned over to the state. Such was the magnificent endowment of the University of Wisconsin by the government of the United States. Such the constitution and laws, under, and by which the grants were made, and these were the conditions of the trust voluntarily accepted and undertaken by the state. The bulk of these lands were by the terms of the grant, to be selected from the most valuable lands the United States then possessed.

Prior to September 30, 1866, about 75,000 acres had been sold, at an average price, of about \$3.50 per acre. The sale of the whole at the same price, would have realized to the University fund over one million dollars. Many of these lands were actually worth in the market from \$10 to \$15 per acre, and had the same policy been pursued by the state in disposing of them, that prevails among corporations or individuals, owning large tracts of lands, double the sum named, or about \$2,000,000 could have been realized as an endowment for the University. This fund, invested at seven per cent. interest would have produced an income nearly twice as large as that now available to the University, including the amount realized from the act of 1876, which it is now proposed to repeal.

The 240,000 acres granted to the University by congress, in 1862, (now nearly all sold), have brought to the university fund thus far, a sum averaging less than *one dollar per acre*, while the lands selected for Cornell University, under the same grant, lying side by side with those belonging to Wisconsin University, have realized over \$5 per acre. And yet, the University has been a beggar at the doors of the state capitol, for its own patrimony, from the day of its organization until now. In spite of the solemn compact with congress, in spite of the mandates of the constitution of our own state, and its sacred guarantee to protect and preserve this magnificent endowment, the whole productive fund of the university to-day, is less than one-half the sum with which congress intended to endow it. To retain even this fraction of its birthright, the university has been compelled to contend with every possible pretext for the surrender and division of its rich possessions.

Previous to the year 1870, the state had never made an appropriation of one dollar towards the support of the university, the

buildings which had been constructed prior to that time, at an expense of over \$104,000, having been paid for from the university fund, which amount has not yet been reimbursed by the state, although since 1867, and up to the present year, the state has allowed seven per cent. interest upon the amount so expended. The state has repeatedly acknowledged its bad faith towards the university, and in the enactment of chapter 100, general laws of 1872, made the following declaration:

"Whereas, It has heretofore been the settled policy of the State of Wisconsin to offer for sale and dispose of its lands granted by congress to the state for educational purposes, at such a low price per acre as would induce immigration and location therein by actual settlers; and

"WHEREAS, Such policy, although resulting in a general benefit to the whole state, has prevented such an increase of the productive funds for which such grants were made, as would have been realized if the same policy had been pursued which is usually practiced by individuals or corporations holding large tracts of lands; and

"WHEREAS, The University has suffered serious loss and impairment by such sale of its lands, so that its increase is not at present sufficient to supply its wants, and cannot be made so by any present change of policy, inasmuch as the most valuable lands have already been sold; therefore

The act following this preamble made an annual appropriation of \$10,000 to the university fund income, as compensation in part for bad management by the state.

The act of 1870, appropriating \$50,000 for "Ladies Hall," and the act of 1875, appropriating \$80,000 for "Science Hall," are the only appropriations that have been made by the state for building purposes, and, although the expected aid was so long deferred, yet the change of policy, as indicated on the part of the state, has been most encouraging to the friends of the university.

In 1876, with all these facts taken into consideration, and in view of the increasing wants of the university, chapter 117 was enacted, creating an annual tax of one-tenth of a mill on the dollar of valuation, to be given to the university fund income in lieu of annual appropriations from the state treasury of \$17,303.76; and also providing for free tuition to all residents of the state. Under the present valuation of the property in the state (and apparently for many years to come) the actual increase of income afforded by the act of 1876, will not exceed \$20,000 per year, which will not more than meet the necessary expenses of the university at the present time, and the only hope for the future is in the expectation that the increase of valuation will produce additional income in proportion to the growth and increased wants of the university.

The president of the board of regents, in their report for 1876, says: "By the enlightened action of the legislature, at its last session, the relations of the state to the university fund income have been wisely and permanently settled, and the reliable resources of the institution thereby increased to such reasonable extent as

to inspire complete confidence in the future ability of the university to realize the beneficent purposes of its organization. The compensation thus accorded by law for deficiencies arising from the disposition of the lands donated to the state by congress, in trust for the university, is not deemed to be in excess of the necessities of the university, or of the just and equitable obligations of the state. Nevertheless, the regents have not hesitated to accept the conclusions of the state gratefully, as a final and satisfactory adjustment of the principal questions relating to such trust, hitherto in controversy."

With this plain statement of facts, which we present for your consideration, your committee have concluded that in justice to the university, the adjustment made last winter should be final. Equally should it be so, for the honor of the state. We have an opportunity to give the university of Wisconsin a position among the best educational institutions of the country. This is the work the state has entered upon, and great expenses have been incurred. The fruits of these labors are beginning to be gathered, and our honor demands that we should finish our work.

If, at its present stage of development, the University were brought to us afresh with its claims, we could in wisdom do no otherwise than we have done, even if the money were ours, and not another's, and endow it as we have endowed it. A steadfast, liberal and wise policy would demand this. The economical and wise management of the regents, the increasing reputation of the University, its faithfulness to its educational work, unite to justify the confidence and support expressed by the act of last winter, and to make it the duty of the legislature to maintain this action of the state.

With these conclusions, we respectfully report the bill back to the Assembly, with the recommendation that the further consideration thereof be indefinitely postponed.

No. 106, A.,

A bill to provide a state board of education and for a uniformity of text books for the use of public schools throughout the state.

And report that it be indefinitely postponed.

ELIHU BAILEY,
Chairman.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

The Special Committee from Brown and Outagamie counties have had under consideration the following memorial and report the same back as follows:

M. C. No. 10, A.,

Memorial to Congress for the enactment of laws for the improvement of the condition of the Oneida tribe of Indians, located on the reservation in the counties of Brown and Outagamie, and in the interest of civilization and humanity.

And recommend its passage.

D. M. KELLY,
Chairman.

The Manitowoc County Delegation to whom was referred

No. 249, A.,

A bill relating to the board of equalization of the city of Manitowoc, and amendatory of section 4, chapter 275, private and local laws of 1870, entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Manitowoc."

No. 250, A.,

A bill relating to drainage in the city of Manitowoc, and amendatory of section 7, of chapter 228, of the laws of Wisconsin, for 1875.

Report the same back with the recommendation that they do pass.

P. JOHNSTON,
Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Luchsinger,
The Assembly resolved itself into a

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

On the General File of Bills,

Mr. W. J. Fisk in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman reported as follows:

MR. SPEAKER:—The Assembly, in Committee of the Whole, has had under consideration the General File of Bills, has gone through with the same, and has instructed me to report the following bills to the Assembly for its consideration:

No. 224, A.,

A bill in relation to evidence, in criminal prosecution.

No. 199, A.,

A bill relating to evidence, and to permit husbands and wives to testify in cases in which either is a party.

No. 169, A.,

A bill in relation to the exchange of the laws, documents, and Supreme Court reports of this state.

No. 70, S.,

A bill relating to actions against counties and cities on defective tax certificates and tax deeds, and amendatory of section 1, chapter 144, of the laws of Wisconsin, of 1874.

No. 198, A.,

A bill relating to village marshals in the village of Whitewater, and amendatory of section 11 of chapter 164 of the private and local laws of Wisconsin for 1858, entitled "an act to incorporate the village of Whitewater," and the several acts amendatory thereof.

No. 257, A.,

A bill relating to and amendatory of chapter 495, of the private and local laws of 1871, entitled "an act to incorporate the village of Augusta."

No. 200, A.,

A bill relating to assessors in the city of Janesville, and amenda-

tory of section one (1), of chapter seven (7), of chapter four hundred and seventy-four (474), of the private and local laws of Wisconsin for 1866, entitled "an act to render the act incorporating the city of Janesville," and the several acts amendatory thereof into one act and amend the same.

Without amendment.

No. 96, A.,

A bill relating to fire wardens, and amendatory of chapter 27, of the general laws of this state for the year 1874.

No. 85, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 60, of general laws of 1866, in relation to registering the names of persons declaring their intention to become citizens of the United States.

With amendment.

No. 125, A.,

A bill to authorize Henry C. Fricke to build a dam across Big Rib river, in the county of Marathon.

No. 159, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 120, of the general laws of 1866, entitled "an act to prescribe and limit the rate of interest."

No. 62, A.,

A bill to appropriate money to the Lemonwier Valley Horticultural Society.

No. 82, A.,

A bill to amend section 2, of chapter 93, of the general laws of 1871, entitled "an act to repeal sections 4 and 8, of chapter 160, of the general laws of 1859, and re-enact section 4, of chapter 61, of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 1, of chapter 202, of the general laws of 1860, entitled 'an act to prescribe the rate of interest.'"

No. 179, A.,

A bill relating to the improvement of certain portions of the Embarrass river, and amendatory of chapter 249 of the laws of 1876.

No. 110, A.,

A bill relating to the preservation of game in the State of Wisconsin, and amendatory of section one of chapter 329 of the laws of 1874.

No. 216, A.,

A bill to amend section 6, of chapter 67, general laws of 1871, entitled "an act to protect and encourage the raising of sheep, and discourage the raising of dogs.

No. 191, A.,

A bill to amend section 2, of chapter 59, of Revised Statutes, in relation to toll for grinding grain.

No. 143, A.,

To grant aid to the Portage County Agricultural Society.

Each without amendment.

No. 162, A.,

A bill relating to the exemption of earnings of married men and others, and amendatory of chapter 148, laws of 1858.

No. 84, A.,

A bill to amend section 16, of chapter 141, of the Revised Statutes, "of actions for the recovery of real property."

Each with amendments.

No. 204, A.,

A bill to prevent incompetent persons from conducting the business of druggists and apothecaries in this state.

No. 180, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money to the governor for the benefit of the state library, and to repeal chapter 34, general laws of 1864, and sections one and eight of chapter 26, of Revised Statutes.

No. 150, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of the supervisors of Star Prairie, St. Croix county.

No. 70, A.,

A bill relating to the liability of counties in certain cases, and amendatory of section one of chapter 35, of the general laws of 1860.

No. 221, A.,

A bill to authorize county treasurers to pay over funds to the town treasurers.

No. 25, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 53, general laws of 1858, entitled "an act for the formation and protection of county agricultural societies."

No. 54, S.,

A bill to amend section 33, of chapter 133, of the Revised Statutes, "of costs and fees," as amended by section 1, chapter 181, of the general laws of 1861.

Each without amendment.

No. 203, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 313, laws of 1876, entitled "an act to revise, consolidate and amend the charter of the city of Racine," and the several acts amendatory thereof.

No. 62, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 133 of the private and local laws of 1857, entitled "an act to consolidate and amend the act to incorporate the city of Kenosha," and the several acts amendatory thereof.

No. 57, S.,

A bill to authorize Peter Wilkinson, Ignez Steinmetz, William Owen, Amos Johnson, Darius Palmer, and others, to erect and maintain a dam across Leach Creek, in Sauk county.

No. 170, A.,

A bill to authorize Duncan & Taylor to maintain a dam upon Silver Creek and its tributaries in Taylor and Lincoln counties.

No. 220, A.,

A bill relating to legislative manuals and the distribution of public property.

No. 235, A.,

A bill to provide for the payment by the city of Milwaukee to the county of Milwaukee, for the maintenance of prisoners confined in the house of correction of said county, for the violation of the ordinances of said city of Milwaukee.

No. 182, A.,

A bill to authorize the construction of a viaduct on Reservoir Avenue, in the 6th ward of the city of Milwaukee.

No. 209, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 276, of the general laws of 1875, entitled "an act to fix the fees of the register of deeds of the county of Milwaukee, for the registration of marriages, births and deaths."

Each without amendment.

No. 244, A.,

A bill in relation to toll gates on the Madison, Watertown and Milwaukee plank road, and amendatory of chapter 7, of the private and local laws of 1862.

Without amendment.

No. 230, A.,

A bill to increase the amount of the official bond of the clerk of the circuit court of Milwaukee county.

No. 207, A.,

A bill to authorize the clerks of the circuit and county courts for the county of Milwaukee, to appoint additional deputies.

Each, with amendments.

No. 45, S.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 211, of the laws of 1874, entitled "an act relating to the purchase of stationery."

Each without amendment.

No. 66, A.,

A bill relating to printing, and amendatory of section 28, chapter 243, of the general laws of 1874.

No. 256, A.,

A bill to discontinue a state road from Chippewa Falls, in Chippewa county, to Augusta, in the town of Bridge Creek, in Eau Claire county.

Each with amendment.

No. 222, A.,

A bill relating to the incorporation of colleges, and amendatory of section 1, of chapter 188 of the general laws of 1872.

No. 258, A.,

A bill to authorize the trustees of Little Prairie Cemetery Association, in the county of Walworth, to remove and re-inter a portion of the remains buried therein.

Without amendment.

No. 189, A.,

A bill in relation to mortgages, to secure further advances and for other purposes.

No. 95, A.,

A bill relating to the form of summons in actions for forcible en-

try add unlawful detainer, and to amend section 3 of chapter 151, of the the Revised Statutes.

No. 154, A., and accompany Memorial, No. 56, A.,

Relating to the location of toll gates on plank and turnpike roads.

No. 92, A.,

A bill relating to foreclosure sales, and amendatory of section 2, of chapter 299, of the general laws of 1863.

No. 223, A.,

A bill relating to the partition of real estate, and amendatory of chapter 142, of the revised Statutes.

No. 215, A.,

A bill to authorize the transfer into the proper offices, of certain documents belonging to the state.

No. 23, A.,

Relating to town treasurers and defining their duties in certain cases, respectfully report the same back to the Assembly, and recommend that the same be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

No. 42, A.,

A bill relating to estates in dower, and amendatory of sections 17, 18 and 19, of chapter 89, of the Revised Statutes.

No. 201, A.,

A bill relating to the election of city marshal in the city of Janesville and amendatory of section 4, of chapter 228, of the private and local laws of 1867, entitled "an act to amend chapter 474 of the private and local laws of 1866," and the several acts amendatory thereto.

Each without amendment.

No 208, A.,

A bill to prohibit the employment of children under thirteen years of age, in factories or other workshops in this state.

With amendment.

No. 56, A.,

A bill to authorize the town of Richmond, Shawano Co., to issue bonds for building a certain bridge.

Without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Spence,
The Assembly adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1877.

Assembly met,

The Speaker in the chair.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Wilkinson.

The roll was called, and the following members present:

Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Gœtze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hurlburt, Hyde, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelley, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker.—97.

Absent—Messrs. Burnett and Dailey—2.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Was granted to Messrs. Dailey and Burnett, indefinitely.

W. T. Innis, member elect from Fond du Lac county, came forward and subscribed to the oath of office, which was administered by the Speaker.

MEMORIALS PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. Kast:

Mem. No. 188. A.,

Remonstrance of John Discroll and 429 others, against the division of Oconto county.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Kast:

Mem. No. 189, A.,

Remonstrance of Henry Serjent and 103 others, against the division of Oconto county.

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

No. 453, A.,

Was reported from the Committee on Judiciary.

Read first and second times, and referred to the General File

On motion of Mr. P. Baldwin,

No. 128, A.,

Was taken from General File, rules suspended, read a third time, and passed.

On motion of Mr. W. E. Carter,

No. 315, A.,

Was taken from General File under suspension of the rules, and indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. Kelly,

No. 217, A.,

Was taken from general file and re-committed to Committee on Printing.

Nos. 62, A., and 163, A.,

Were referred to Committee on Claims.

On motion of Mr. Pope,

No. 204, A.,

Was taken from General File and re-committed to Committee on Medical Societies.

On motion of Mr. Spence,

No. 169, A.,

Was recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By A. J. TURNER, Chief Clerk thereof:

Mr. Speaker:—I am directed to inform you that the Senate has passed and asks the concurrence of the Assembly in

No. 90, S.,

A bill to repeal chapter 11, of chapter 59 of the laws of 1875 entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Oconomowoc."

No. 37, S.,

A bill in relation to the appointments of notaries public, and amendatory of chapter 12 of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of notaries public."

No. 19, S.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money therein named, for the payment of pensions of soldiers' orphans, as provided in chapter 72, of the laws of 1874.

No. 17, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the Institution for the Education of the Blind a sum of money therein named, for the payment of current expenses, for permanent improvements and for miscellaneous purposes.

No. 44, S.,

A bill to amend sections 5 and 9 of chapter 193, general laws of 1873, entitled "an act to change the management of the state prison, and to amend and consolidate all laws concerning the same."

No. 16, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the Institute for the Education of the Deaf and Dumb a sum of money therein named, for the payment of current expenses, for permanent improvements and for miscellaneous purposes.

No. 51, S.,

A bill to authorize the city of Janesville to issue bonds to provide and pay for engine houses in said city.

No. 18, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the Industrial School for Boys, a sum of money therein named, for the payment of current expenses, for building correction house, for other permanent improvements and to pay deficiency.

No. 149, S.,

A bill to amend section 2, of chapter 192, of the laws of 1875, entitled "an act to authorize William Dunlap to keep and maintain a ferry across Lake Pepin from the village of Stockholm, Wisconsin, to Lake City, Minnesota."

No 20, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the Northern Hospital for the Insane, a sum of money therein named, for the payment of current expenses, for permanent improvements, and for miscellaneous purposes.

No. 139, S.,

A bill relating to the Madison Mutual Insurance Company and amendatory of chapter 329, private and local laws of 1863.

And has been concurred in

No. 97, A.,

A bill in relation to the paving of Chestnut street, from the Milwaukee river to Fifth street, in the Second ward of the city of Milwaukee.

No. 232, A.,

A bill to authorize the county board of supervisors of Milwaukee county to appropriate to Richard Rooney, late county treasurer, a certain sum of money.

No. 382, A.,

A bill to incorporate the city of Darlington.

And has *refused to concur in*

No. 76, A.,
A bill relating to the office of county and municipal corporation
treasurers.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Read first and second times and referred.

No. 90, S.,
To Committee on Incorporations.
No. 37, S.,
To Committee on Judiciary.
No. 19, S.,
To General File.
No. 17, S.,
To General File.
No. 44, S.,
To Committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.
No. 16, S.,
To General File.
No. 51, S.,
To Judiciary Committee.
No. 18, S.,
To General File.
No. 149, S.,
On motion of Mr. Dorwin, the rules were suspended, bill read a
third time and concurred in.
No. 20, S.,
To General File.
No. 139, S.,
To Committee on Incorporations.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By A. J. TURNER, Chief Clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:—I am directed to inform you that the Senate
has passed and asks the concurrence of the Assembly in

No. 169, S.,

A bill to revise, consolidate and amend the charter of the city
of Oshkosh, the act incorporating the city and the several acts
amendatory thereof.

Jt. Res. No. 11, S.,

Relating to the coinage of silver.

And has concurred in

No. 133, A.,

A bill to regulate the times of holding the circuit court in Por-
tage county.

On motion of Mr. Knapp,

No. 169, S.,

Was taken up, read first and second times, rules suspended, read a third time and concurred in.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows :

No. 197, A.,

A bill relating to pensions and common jails, and amendatory of section 12 of chapter 190 of the Revised Statutes.

With recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

No. 163, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money therein named, to the Northern Hospital for the Insane.

Without recommendation.

No. 99, A.,

A bill to provide for the establishment of a hospital and school for imbecile, idiotic or feeble-minded children.

By substitute, the passage of which is recommended.

S. T. MERRILL,
Chairman.

The Committee on Incorporations to whom was referred

No. 118, A.,

A bill relating to town insurance companies.

Respectfully report the same back to the House and recommend that it do pass.

No. 259, A.,

A bill to legalize the action of the East Troy Town Insurance Company of Walworth county.

The Committee report the same back with substitute and recommend that the substitute do pass.

A. D. DELAND,
Chairman.

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

The Milwaukee Delegation, to whom was referred

No. 233, A.,

A bill to authorize the city of Milwaukee to enlarge the first ward hay market, and to levy a special tax therefor, in said ward.

Have had the same under consideration, and report the same back with a recommendation of indefinite postponement.

ED. KEOGH,
Chairman.

The Select Committee, consisting of the Calumet and Manitowoc County Delegations, to whom was referred

No. 273, A.,

A bill relating to swamp and overflowed lands in the counties of Manitowoc and Calumet, and amendatory of chapter 341, of the private and local laws of 1869, and chapter 291, laws of 1873, chapter 537, laws of 1869, and chapter 327, laws of 1874, for draining and other purposes.

Report the same back with amendments, and recommend ~~passage~~ when amended.

THOMAS THORNTON,

Chairman.

The Special Committee to whom was referred

No. 128, A.,

A bill in relation to the improvement of the channel of Catfish river.

Have had the same under consideration, and report the same back and recommend its passage.

No. 315, A.,

A bill to amend an act to incorporate the village of Stoughton. And recommend its passage.

PHINEAS BALDWIN,

Chairman.

ASSEMBLY BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

No. 229, A.,

A bill to prevent fraud by coloring grain.

No. 64, A.,

A bill relating to certain offenses against chastity, morality and decency, and amendatory of section 5 of chapter 170 of the Revised Statutes.

No. 129, A.,

A bill regulating the salary of the county judge of Milwaukee county.

No. 78, A.,

A bill to confer civil jurisdiction on the county court of Fond du Lac county.

No. 29, A.,

A bill to establish and maintain a ferry across Lake Pepin and the Mississippi River, from Pepin in the county of Pepin.

Were severally read a third time and passed.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE CONSIDERED.

No. 96, A.,

A bill relating to fire wardens, and amendatory of chapter 27 of the general laws of this state for the year 1874.

No. 85, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 60 of the general laws of 1866, in relation to registering the names of persons declaring their intention to become citizens of the United States.

No. 84, A.,

A bill to amend section 16, of chapter 141, of the Revised Statutes, "of actions for the recovery of real property."

The amendments to each were severally adopted, and the bills ordered engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 162, A.,

A bill relating to the exemption of earnings of married men and others, and amendatory of chapter 148, laws of 1858.

Was on motion of Mr. Spence, re-committed to the Committee on Judiciary.

No. 207, A.,

A bill to authorize the clerks of the circuit and county courts for the county of Milwaukee, to appoint additional deputies.

Substitute adopted, and ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 66, A.,

A bill relating to printing, and amendatory of section 28, of chapter 243, of the general laws of 1874.

No. 256, A.,

A bill to discontinue a state road from Chippewa Falls, in Chippewa county, to Augusta, in the town of Bridge Creek, in Eau Claire county.

No. 208, A.,

A bill to prohibit the employment of children under thirteen years of age, in factories or other workshops in this state.

No. 230, A.,

A bill to increase the amount of the official bond of the clerk of the circuit court of Milwaukee county.

The amendments to each were severally adopted, and bill ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 200, A.,

A bill relating to assessors in the city of Janesville, and amendatory of section one (1), of chapter seven (7), of chapter four hundred and seventy-four (474), of the private and local laws of Wisconsin for 1866, entitled "an act to render the act incorporating the city of Janesville," and the several acts amendatory thereof into one act and amend the same.

No. 179, A.,

A bill relating to the improvement of certain portions of the Embarrass river, and amendatory of chapter 249, of the laws of 1876.

No. 70, A.,

A bill relating to the liability of counties in certain cases, and amendatory of section one of chapter 35, of the general laws of 1860.

No. 182, A.,

A bill to authorize the construction of a viaduct on Reservoir avenue, in the 6th ward of the city of Milwaukee.

No. 209, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 276, of the general laws of 1875, entitled "an act to fix the fees of the register of deeds of the county of Milwaukee, for the registration of marriages, births and deaths."

No. 42, A.,

A bill relating to estates in dower, and amendatory of sections 17, 18 and 19, of chapter 89, of the Revised Statutes.

No. 92, A.,

A bill relating to foreclosure sales, and amendatory of section 2, of chapter 299, of the general laws of 1863.

No. 223, A.,

A bill relating to the partition of real estate, and amendatory of chapter 142 of the Revised Statutes.

No. 23, A.,

A bill relating to town treasurers, and defining their duties in certain cases.

No. 201, A.,

A bill relating to the election of city marshal in the city of Janesville, and amendatory of section 4, of chapter 223, of the private and local laws of 1867, entitled "an act to amend chapter 474 of the private and local laws of 1866," and the several acts amendatory thereto.

No. 215, A.,

A bill to authorize the transfer into the proper offices, of certain documents belonging to the state.

No. 150, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of the supervisors of Star Prairie, St. Croix county.

Were severally ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 235, A.,

A bill to provide for the payment by the city of Milwaukee to the county of Milwaukee, for the maintenance of prisoners confined in the house of correction of said county, for the violation of the ordinances of said city of Milwaukee.

On motion of Mr. Ries, the further consideration of said bill was postponed until to-morrow.

No. 125, A.,

A bill to authorize Henry C. Fricke to build a dam across Big Rib river, in the county of Marathon.

Was, on motion of W. E. Carter, indefinitely postponed.

No. 216, A.,

A bill to amend section 6, of chapter 67, general laws of 1871, entitled "an act to protect and encourage the raising of sheep, and discourage the raising of dogs."

Was, on motion of Mr. Johnson, re-committed to the Committee on Judiciary.

No. 180, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money to the governor for the benefit of the state library, and to repeal chapter 34, general laws of 1864, and sections one and eight of chapter 26, of Revised Statutes.

Was ordered engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 170 A.,

A bill to authorize Duncan and Taylor to maintain a dam upon Silver Creek and its tributaries in Taylor and Lincoln counties.

Was, on motion of Mr. W. E. Carter, re-committed to W. J. Fisk for perfection.

No. 257, A.,

A bill relating to and amendatory of chapter 495, of the private and local laws of 1871, entitled "an act to incorporate the village of Augusta."

Was, on motion of Mr. Pope, indefinitely postponed.

No. 198, A.,

A bill relating to village marshals in the village of Whitewater, and amendatory of section 11, of chapter 164, of the private and local laws of Wisconsin for 1858, entitled, "an act to incorporate the village of Whitewater," and the several acts amendatory thereof.

No. 110, A.,

A bill relating to the preservation of game in the State of Wisconsin, and amendatory of section 1, of chapter 329, of the laws of 1874.

No. 221, A.,

A bill to authorize county treasurers to pay over funds to the town treasurers.

No. 224, A.,

A bill in relation to evidence, in criminal prosecution.

No. 220, A.,

A bill relating to legislative manuals and the distribution of public property.

No. 222, A.,

A bill relating to the incorporation of colleges, and amendatory of section 1, of chapter 188, of the general laws of 1872.

No. 199, A.,

A bill relating to evidence, and to permit husbands and wives to testify in cases in which either is a party.

No. 189, A.,

A bill in relation to mortgages to secure further advances, and for other purposes.

No. 95, A.,

A bill relating to the form of summons in actions for forcible entry and unlawful detainer, and to amend section 3, of chapter 151, of the Revised Statutes.

No. 169, A.,

A bill in relation to the exchange of the laws, documents, and Supreme Court Reports of this state.

No. 82, A.,

A bill to amend section 2, of chapter 93, of the general laws of 1871, entitled "an act to repeal sections 4 and 8, of chapter 160, of the general laws of 1859, and re-enact section 4, of chapter 61, of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 1, of chapter 202, of the general laws of 1860, entitled 'an act to prescribe the rate of interest.'"

No. 244, A.,

A bill in relation to toll-gates on the Madison, Watertown, and Milwaukee plank road, and amendatory of chapter 7, of the private and local laws of 1862.

No. 258, A.,

A bill to authorize the trustees of Little Prairie Cemetery Association, in the county of Walworth, to remove and re-inter a portion of the remains buried therein.

No. 154, A.,

Relating to the location of toll gates on plank and turnpike roads.

No. 159, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 120, of the general laws of 1866, entitled "an act to prescribe and limit the rate of interest."

No. 143, A.

A bill to grant aid to the Portage County Agricultural Society.

No. 191, A.,

A bill to amend section 2, of chapter 59, of Revised Statutes, in relation to toll for grinding grain.

No. 70, S.,

A bill relating to actions against counties and cities on defective tax certificates and tax deeds, and amendatory of section 1, chapter 144, of the laws of Wisconsin, of 1874.

No. 54, S.,

A bill to amend section 33, of chapter 133, of the Revised Statutes, "of costs and fees," as amended by section 1, chapter 181, of the general laws of 1861.

Were severally indefinitely postponed.

No. 25, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 53, general laws of 1858, entitled "an act for the formation and protection of county agricultural societies."

No. 203, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 313, laws of 1876, entitled "an act to revise, consolidate and amend the charter of the city of Racine," and the several acts amendatory thereof.

No. 62, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 133 of the private and local laws of 1857, entitled "an act to consolidate and amend the act to incorporate the city of Kenosha," and the several acts amendatory thereof.

No. 57, S.,

A bill to authorize Peter Wilkinson, Ignez Steinmetz, William Owen, Amos Johnson, Darius Palmer, and others, to erect and maintain a dam across Leach Creek, in Sauk county.

No. 45, S.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 211, of the laws of 1874, entitled "an act relating to the purchase of stationery."

Were severally ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Hubbard,
The Assembly adjourned.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1877.

Assembly met,

The Speaker in the chair.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Wilkinson.

The roll was called and the following members present :

Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker.—97.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Dailey and Burnett—2.

Absent—Mr. Nelson.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Was granted

To Mr. Blakeslee indefinitely.

To Mr. Nelson for one hour.

MEMORIALS PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. Spence:

Mem. No. 190, A.

Remonstrance of David White and others, against the passage of

bill for the exemption of the Wisconsin Central Railroad lands from taxation.

To General File.

By Mr. Knapp :

Mem. No. 191, A.,

Memorial of the citizens of Neenah against the passage of bill exempting the lands of Wisconsin Central Railroad Company from taxation.

To General File

COMMUNICATIONS.

STATE OF WISCONSIN, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
MADISON, February 14, 1877.

To the Legislature:

I transmit herewith for your information the special report and request of the directors of the state prison, and the accompanying report of the warden, relative to the destruction by fire of the engine house and drying room of the prison on the 1st instant. I recommend that a suitable appropriation be made to defray the expenses of the necessary repairs.

H. LUDINGTON,
Governor.

Accompanied by the following report from the warden of the state prison, and also the report of the directors of the state prison, which are to be spread at length upon the journal.

OFFICE OF WISCONSIN STATE PRISON,
WAUPUN, WIS., February 8, 1872.

To the Directors of Wisconsin State Prison :

On the morning of the 1st inst., I informed you by telegraph of the fire the night before. I am now able to give you the particulars; also, an estimate of the amount required to repair the loss. The night-guard, who makes his rounds every hour during the night, had made his usual round at 9 o'clock, and found everything all right; at 9:40 the fire was discovered in the engine-rooms, which spread with fearful rapidity in the drying lumber in the second story. The alarm bell was rung, to which the citizens of Waupun promptly responded. The village fire company was also promptly on hand with their chemical engine, but it soon became evident it would be impossible to prevent the burning of the engine-house and its contents, and all efforts were directed to saving the main shops.

For two hours the heat was so intense from the burning of over 20,000 feet of lumber that it seemed impossible to save the shops and other buildings. But, fortunately, there was but little wind, and what there was being from the west, was in our favor, and at 12 o'clock we felt that the worst was over and the shops saved. It is proper to add, that, with all other efforts the shops could not

have been saved without the assistance of the village engine. Extra guards were placed on the wall, and 35 convicts were let out, and nearly all of them manifested an interest and energy which could not be exceeded by any citizen. Two of them, Charles Schultz and Julius Falk, are entitled to special mention for extra services and exposure to personal danger.

The origin of the fire is a mystery that I am unable to solve. Some adequate facilities should be at once provided on the prison grounds for putting out fires. In view of the danger of using the second story for storage purposes, also, in view of the damaged state of the walls, I recommend that the second story be taken down, and have nothing but an iron roof above the engine and boilers.

I estimate the cash cost of repairing the engine and fixtures, and the building, including new iron roof, at \$3,300. The boilers are not supposed to be injured at all by the fire, but, as you are aware, they are the old-fashioned two flue boilers, and entirely unsuited to the wants of this institution, from the fact they have not sufficient capacity for running the machinery and heating the shops and dry-houses, and from the further fact, that they consume nearly or quite double the amount of fuel necessary. I therefore recommend replacing them with two 48-inch tribular boilers, 16 feet long, which can be obtained, with new fire fronts and grates and all fixtures required, at a cost of \$1,700, making the whole amount required \$5,000. These figures are based on cash payments, and the interests of the state require an appropriation of that amount to be made at once.

Respectfully submitted,

H. N. SMITH,
Warden.

WISCONSIN STATE PRISON,
WAUPUN, February 12, 1877.

TO HIS EXCELLENCY, HARRISON LUDINGTON,
Governor of the State of Wisconsin:

It becomes the unpleasant duty of the directors of this prison to transmit herewith the report of the warden, relative to the destruction of and damage to property by fire which occurred in the state prison the 1st instant. Deeply regretting that it becomes necessary to report a misfortune of this character, we think it extremely fortunate, under the circumstances, that the loss is not greater.

We have made as thorough an investigation in the origin and cause of the fire as the time at present at our disposal will permit, from which we are satisfied that there was no carelessness or omission of duty on the part of the warden, or any of his subordinates contributing thereto, but that this calamity falls within that class of misfortunes against which human foresight cannot provide.

In view of the necessity that the shops should be set to running without unnecessary delay, in order that the convicts have employment, we have directed the warden to proceed at once with

the necessary repairs, and for the reasons stated in his report, concur in his views relative to a change of boilers.

The expense attending these repairs and changes, is estimated by the warden at five thousand dollars. We have carefully reviewed these estimates, calling to our aid the services of experts, and are of opinion that that amount will be sufficient for all present purposes, and as this expense was not contemplated when submitting the annual reports, it becomes necessary to ask a specific appropriation of that amount, for the purposes indicated.

Soliciting the favorable consideration of our request in this behalf, by your excellency and the legislature, we have the honor to be

Very respectfully, your obedient servants.

WM. E. SMITH,
GEO. W. BURCHARD,
Directors.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Spence :

Res. No. 39, A.,

Resolved, That the Senate be requested to return to the Assembly bills

Nos. 70 and 176, S.

Adopted.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 11, S.

Relating to the coinage of silver.

Was read a third time, and concurred in by the Assembly.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on the Judiciary have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows:

No. 388, A.,

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the town of Marietta, in Crawford county.

No. 211, A.,

A bill relating to issues, mode of trial, and judgment in civil actions, and to amend section 37, of chapter 132 of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of issues, mode of trial, and judgment in civil actions."

No. 417, A.,

A bill relating to the supreme court and amendatory of chapter 284 of the laws of 1876.

No. 443, A.,

A bill to amend section 3 of chapter 121, of the laws of 1868, as amended by chapter 54 laws of 1871.

No. 344, A.,

A bill relating to deposits of married women, trustees, and minors in savings banks.

No. 321, A.,

A bill to change the time of holding the general terms of the circuit courts in Walworth county.

No. 350, A.,

A bill relating to the license fund received by the city of Chipewa Falls.

Without amendments, and passage recommended.

No. 346, A.,

A bill to provide for the payment of the actual indebtedness of the late town of Eaton, in Monroe county.

No. 155, A.,

A bill relating to evidence.

Each with amendments, and passage recommended when so amended.

No. 450, A.,

A bill in relation to service of summons in actions against telegraph companies.

Without recommendation.

No. 288, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 20, of the general laws of 1871, entitled, "an act to amend section 27, of chapter 15, of the Revised Statutes, entitled, 'of town officers' powers, and duties of towns.'"

No. 296, A.,

A bill relating to court commissioners, and notaries public.

No. 305, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 134 of the Revised Statutes, entitled, "of execution and proceedings supplementary thereto."

Jt. Res. No. 18, A.,

Proposing an amendment to section 1, article 3, of the constitution of this state.

No. 299, A.,

A bill to authorize the Eagle Grove Cemetery Society to reorganize.

No. 403, A.,

A bill relating to the registration of voters.

No. 332, A.,

A bill relating to the publication of legal notices.

With recommendation that each of said bills be indefinitely postponed.

CARL C. POPE,
Chairman.

The Committee on State affairs have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows :

No. 158, A.,

A bill for the preservation of fish in the waters of Rock river and Husteford mill pond, in Dodge county,

And recommend that the bill do pass.

No. 73, A.,

A bill relating to the preservation of game, and amendatory of section 1, of chapter 121, of the laws of 1874

And recommend its passage.

No. 160, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 195, of the laws of 1874, entitled "an act to amend sections one and three, of chapter 275, of the private and local laws of 1869, entitled 'an act for the preservation of fish in Big Green and Little Green lake,'"

And recommend that the same be referred to Green Lake county delegation.

No. 63, A.,

A bill relating to attorneys' fees in justices' courts, and amendatory of section 1, of chapter 96, of the laws of 1876.

And report the same back with substitute, and passage of substitute recommended.

No. 343, A.,

A bill relating to the State Historical Society.

And recommend its passage.

No. 384, A.,

A bill to amend section 2, of chapter 329, of the laws of 1874, entitled "an act for the preservation of game in the State of Wisconsin."

And recommend its passage.

PHINEAS BALDWIN,
Chairman.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same correctly engrossed:

No. 251, A.,

A bill relating to the registering of the names of persons who have heretofore or may hereafter declare their intentions to become citizens, or who have been or may hereafter be admitted to become citizens of the United States of America, and amendatory of chapter 60, laws of 1866.

No. 139, A.,

A bill to prevent certain officers and teachers from acting as agents in the sale of school books.

No. 214, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of Frank Higgins, a justice of the peace in the county of La Fayette.

No. 1, A.,

A bill to authorize the town of Muckwa, in the county of Wau-paca, to issue its corporate bonds in payment of the judgment

against the said town, in favor of Geo. F. Hammond and Sophia C. Hammond.

No. 187, A.,

A bill to legalize the official acts of Edward F. Carpenter, as notary public for Rock county.

No. 164, A.,

A bill to authorize the city of Racine to appropriate certain moneys.

No. 172, A.,

A bill to extend the benefits of the public schools, and to promote the fitness of young foreigners for citizenship.

No. 149, A.,

A bill to appropriate to George B. Smith and William F. Villas, a sum of money therein named.

W. R. HERRON,
Chairman.

The Committee on Agriculture have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows:

No. 190, A.,

A bill relating to and amendatory of section 1, chapter 38, laws of 1874, entitled "an act to ascertain annually the number of acres of the principal farm products of the state."

And recommend the passage of the same.

No. 260, A.,

A bill relating to the construction of drains in certain cases, and amendatory of section 1, chapter 141, of general laws 1873.

No. 354, A.,

A bill for the preservation of game in St. Croix county.

No. 410, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the Winnebago County Agricultural Society the sum therein named.

No. 423, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the Zion's Society, of the county of Sauk, a sum of money therein named.

No. 448, A.,

A bill to appropriate a certain sum of money to each subordinate grange in the State of Wisconsin.

No. 430, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money therein named.

And would recommend that they do not pass.

No. 136, A.,

A bill relating to the invention and successful use of steam and other mechanical agents on highways, and amendatory of chapter 184 of the laws of 1875, as amended by chapter 182 of the laws of 1876.

Passage recommended.

No. 109, A.,

A bill relating to the invention and encouragement of steam or

other mechanical agents on highways, and amendatory of section 1 of chapter 134 of the laws of 1875, as amended by section 1 of chapter 182 of the laws of 1876.

Respectfully report the same back to the Assembly, and recommend that it be indefinitely postponed.

W. T. BROOKS.

Chairman.

The Committee on Town and County Organization have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows:

No. 130, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 110 of 1876, entitled "an act in relation to the organization of towns.

No. 317, A.,

A bill to repeal section 6, chapter 81, of Revised Statutes, and chapter 149, laws of 1876.

No. 89, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 404 of the laws of 1876, relating "to county and county officers."

No. 316, A.,

A bill to divide the county of Oconto and to create the county of Sawyer.

And recommend indefinite postponement of the same.

H. R. LEAVENS,

Chairman.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

The Milwaukee Delegation to whom was referred

No. 274, A.,

A bill to authorize the county board of supervisors of Milwaukee county to levy a special tax for the payment of county bonds which become due in 1880.

No. 301, A.,

A bill to authorize the levy of a special tax in the Ninth and Tenth wards of the city of Milwaukee for the purchase of a public park.

No. 273, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 253, of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act to provide for the support of the poor of Milwaukee county."

Have had the same under consideration, and report the same with a recommendation that they do pass.

ED. KEOGH,

Chairman.

The Select Committee, consisting of the Fond du Lac delegation, report back

No. 225, A.,

A bill relating to the bringing of actions against the city of Fond du Lac, and to amend section 42, of chapter 102, of the laws of 1876.

Recommend its passage.

T. W. SPENCE,
Chairman.

The Committee of One having under consideration

No. 165, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 237, of the laws of 1875, and to re-enact chapter 233, of the laws of 1865, relating to the city of Watertown.

Reports by substitute and recommends its adoption and passage.

H. FLINN,
Chairman.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By A. J. TURNER, Chief Clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:—I am directed to inform you that the Senate has passed and asks the concurrence of the Assembly in

M. C. No. 3, S.,

For right of way, and a grant of land for railroad purposes, to aid in building a road through northern Wisconsin.

M. C. No. 4, S.,

For an appropriation to aid in the survey of the St. Croix river, Wisconsin.

And has concurred in

No. 323, A.

A bill to legalize the acts and proceedings of officers of the town of Rosendale, in assessment and collection of taxes to aid in the construction of the Sheboygan & Fond du Lac Railroad.

M. C. No. 1, A.,

For the extension of a mail route from the town of Berlin, in Marathon county, Wisconsin, to the town of Hamburg, in said county.

M. C. No. 2, A.,

For the extension of a mail route from the town of Stettin, in Marathon county, Wisconsin, to the town of Rib Falls, in said county.

M. C. No. 5, A.,

For the establishment of a mail route from Barron, the county seat of Barron county, Wisconsin, to the village of Sand Creek, in Dunn county, Wisconsin, via Mooney's Mills, Sylvan Springs, and Sioux Creek.

M. C. No. 10, A.,

Memorial to congress for the enactment of laws for the improvement of the condition of the Oneida tribe of Indians, located in the counties of Brown and Outagamie, and in the interest of civilization and humanity.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Read first and second times and referred.

M. C. No. 3, S.,

To Committee on Federal Relations.

M. C. No. 4, S.,

To Committee on Federal Relations.

SENATE BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

No. 45, S.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 211, of the laws of 1874, entitled "an act relating to the purchase of stationery."

No. 57, S.,

A bill to authorize Peter Wilkinson, Ignez Steinmetz, William Owen, Amos Johnson, Darius Palmer, and others, to erect and maintain a dam across Leach Creek, in Sauk county.

No. 62, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 133 of the private and local laws of 1857, entitled "an act to consolidate and amend the act to incorporate the city of Kenosha," and the several acts amendatory thereof.

No. 203, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 313, laws of 1876, entitled "an act to revise, consolidate and amend the charter of the city of Racine," and the several acts amendatory thereof.

Were severally read a third time and concurred in.

The assembly refuse to concur in

No. 25, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 53, general laws of 1858, entitled "an act for the formation and protection of county agricultural societies."

No. 256, S.,

A bill relating to certificates of employes of the legislature, and amendatory of section 9, of chapter 345, of the laws of Wisconsin of 1876.

Was laid over till to-morrow.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE LAYING
OVER.

No. 235, A.,

A bill to provide for the payment, by the city of Milwaukee, to

the county of Milwaukee, for the maintenance of prisoners confined in the house of correction of said county, for the violation of the ordinances of said city of Milwaukee.

Was, on motion of Mr. Ries, recommitted to the Milwaukee County Delegation.

On motion of Mr. B. F. Carter

No. 173, A.,

A bill to incorporate the city of Chilton.

Was taken from the General File,

Amendments adopted, rules suspended, read a third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Flinn,

No. 165, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 237, of the laws of 1875, and to re-enact chapter 233, of the laws of 1865, relating to the city of Watertown.

Was taken from file, rules suspended, substitute adopted. Bill read a third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Keogh.

No. 273, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 253, of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act to provide for the support of the poor of Milwaukee county."

No. 274, A.,

A bill to authorize the county board of supervisors of Milwaukee county to levy a special tax for the payment of county bonds which become due in 1880.

No. 301, A.,

A bill to authorize the levy of a special tax in the Ninth and Tenth wards of the city of Milwaukee, for the purchase of a public park.

Were taken from file, rules suspended, each read a third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Spence,

The vote by which bill No. 70, S., was yesterday indefinitely postponed was re-considered,

On motion of Mr. Hubbard,

The Assembly resolved itself into a

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

On No. 4, S.,

Mr. Hamilton in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman reported as follows :

Mr. SPEAKER: The Assembly, in Committee of the Whole, has had under consideration

No. 4, S.,

A bill to extend the time of exemption from assessment and taxation of certain bonds, fixed in the act incorporating the Winnebago and Lake Superior Railroad Company, approved April 6, 1866, and in the act incorporating the Portage and Superior Railroad Company, approved April 9, 1866.

And has instructed me to report the same, with amendments, to the Assembly for its consideration.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE CONSIDERED.

No. 4, S.,

A bill to extend the time of exemption from assessment and taxation of certain lands, fixed in the act incorporating the Winnebago and Lake Superior Railroad Company, approved April 6, 1866, and in the act incorporating the Portage and Superior Railroad Company, approved April 9th, 1866.

The question being upon the adoption of the following amendment:

Amend section 1, by adding the following:

Provided, That this act shall be assented to by an affirmative vote of the people of the towns wherein any of the lands of the Wisconsin Central Railroad are located, at any special election to be called for that purpose, in the usual manner of calling special elections, or at any annual town meeting in such town; and this act shall have no effect until such assent is so given.

It was lost by the following vote:

Ayes.—Messrs. Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Black, Brost, Cash, Carmichael, Dale, Deland, Dorwin, Doxtader, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Goetze, Innis, Johnson, Knapp, Linderman, Luchsinger, McCarty, Mohr, Pope, Ringle, Senn, Seymour, Spence, Stapleton, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Vincent, Van Waters, Wedig, Weeks, Wyatt, Zeiman—36.

Nocs.—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, Brooks, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dixon, Dousman, Earnest, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knowlton, Leavens, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Ries, Rice, Roche, Fink, Sarnow, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Sylvester, Truell, Vance, Wall, Wannemaker, Wright, Mr. Speaker—58.

Mr. Hubbard was, by unanimous consent, excused from voting upon the above amendment, having made an agreement with Mr. Blakeslee (who was called home unexpectedly) to pair off with him on the vote on this bill.

Mr. Keogh moved the previous question, pending which
Mr. Hubbard moved a

CALL OF THE HOUSE,

Which was ordered.

The roll was call and the following members absent:

Messrs. Lindsay and Walker.

Mr. W. E. Carter moved to suspend the further proceedings under the call, which carried by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Cash, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dale, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flynn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnston, Johnson, Kast, Kelley, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Leavens, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Roche, Fink, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker—84.

Noes—Messrs. B. F. Carter, Carmichael, H. J. Fisk, Hammel, Hubbard, Marx, Ringle, Spence, Touhey, Walker, Wannemaker—11.

Mr. Keogh, by consent, withdrew his motion for the previous question.

On motion of Mr. Hamilton, Mr. Hubbard was excused by the Assembly from voting upon bill No. 4. S., and all amendments thereto, for reasons above stated.

Mr. Ringle offered the following amendment:

Amend section 6, at the end of section, by adding the words, "*provided*, that this act shall have no effect in the county of Marathon."

Which was lost.

Mr. Spence offered the following amendment:

Amend section 4, by adding at the end thereof, the following clause: "Nor shall this exemption apply to any lands belonging to said company, which have heretofore been, or may hereafter be platted or laid out in village or town lots, nor to any permanent improvements, made upon such lands."

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Brooks, Brost, Cash, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Dale, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Flinn, Goetze, Hammel, Hulburt, Innis, Johnson, Knapp, Knowlton, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, McCarty, Mohr, Newman, Pope, Ringle, Roche, Fink, Senn, Seymour, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Vincent, Van Waters, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker.—50.

Noes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Phineas Baldwin, Bock, W. E.

Carter, Crockett, Dousman, Earnest, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Gray, Greening, Grover, Hamilton, Herron, Hull, Hyde, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Leavens, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Neuhauser, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Ries, Rice, Sarnow, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Wall.—44.

Mr. Carmichael offered the following amendment:

Amend section 1, by adding the words: "*Provided, however, that this act shall not be in anyway construed as to be a contract between the State of Wisconsin and the Wisconsin Central Railroad Company.*"

Which was lost.

Mr. Ringle offered the following amendment:

Amend section 1, on 10th line, by striking out the word "five," and inserting in lieu thereof the word "two," so that it will read, "is hereby extended two years."

Mr. Bailey moved the previous question.

Pending which, Mr. Hubbard moved a call of the house; the roll was called, and Mr. Lindsay was absent.

Mr. Ringle moved that the Assembly do now adjourn.

Which was lost by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Arnot, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Brost, Cash, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Dale, Dorwin, H. J. Fisk, Fitzgerald, Flinn, Grover, Hammel, Innis, Johnson, Knapp, Knowlton, Luchsinger, Marx, McCarty, Ringle, Roche, Tisch, Touhey, Van Waters, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman—29.

Noes.—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, Bock, Brooks, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Deland, Dixon, Doxtader, Dousman, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, Field, Flanders, Gray, Greening, Götze, Hamilton, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Leavens, Linderman, Maxwell, McCollum, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Fink, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Thornton, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Mr. Speaker—67.

Mr. Vance moved to suspend the further proceedings under the call of the house.

Which was carried by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Fink, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Gray, Greening, Grover, Götze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Leavens, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Scheuber, Shepard, Schufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton,

Touhey, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wyatt, Mr. Speaker—89.

Noes—Messrs. Rice, Ringle, Seymour, Wright, Zeiman—5.

Mr. Hubbard moved that the Assembly adjourn.

Lost.

The previous question having been seconded, the main question was ordered by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Cash, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dale, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Gray, Greening, Grover, Götze, Hamilton, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Leavens, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Fink, Sarnow, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Thornton, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Weeks, Wyatt, Mr. Speaker—76.

Noes—Messrs. Arnold, Arnot, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Hammel, Hubbard, Johnson, McCarty, Mohr, Ringle, Roche, Senn, Seymour, Tisch, Touhey, Van Waters, Wedig, Wright, Zeiman—19.

Mr. Spence moved that the vote just had, by which the main question was ordered, be re-considered.

Which was lost.

The question now being upon the amendment offered by Mr. Ringle, it was rejected by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Arnold, Arnot, Brost, Cash, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Dale, Deland, Dorwin, Doxtader, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Götze, Hulburt, Johnson, Knapp, Knowlton, Linderman, Luchsinger, McCarty, Mohr, Neuhauser, Newman, Pope, Ringle, Senn, Seymour, Shepard, Spence, Stapleton, Tisch, Thornton, Vincent, Van Waters.—36.

Noes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Bock, Brooks, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dixon, Dousman, Earnest, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Gray, Greening, Grover, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hull, Hyde, Innis, Johnston, Kast, Kelley, Keogh, Kinzie, Leavens, Maxwell, McCollum, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Ries, Rice, Roche, Fink, Sarnow, Scheuber, Shufelt, Sylvester, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker.—59.

The question now being shall the bill be read a third time, the roll was called, and the Assembly refused to order the bill to a third reading by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, Brooks, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dousman, Earnest, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Hamilton, Herron, Hull, Hyde, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Leavens, Maxwell, McCollum, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Ries, Rice, Sarnow, Scheuber, Shufelt,

Sylvester, Truell, Vance, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Mr. Speaker—47.

Noes—Messrs. Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Black, Brost, Cash, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Dale, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Fink, Goetze, Hammel, Hulburt, Innis, Johnson, Knapp, Knowlton, Linderman, Luchsinger, Marx, McCarty, Mohr, Neuhauser, Newman, Pope, Ringle, Roche, Senn, Seymour, Shepard, Spence, Stapleton, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Vincent, Van Waters, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman—48

On motion of W. J. Fisk,

The use of the Assembly Chamber was granted to the Committee on Railroads this afternoon.

On motion of Mr. Bailey,

The Assembly adjourned till 7:30 o'clock this evening.

7:30 P. M.

Assembly met,

The Speaker in the chair.

The roll was called and the following members present:

Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Fink, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Schueber, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker—93.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Burnett, Dailey, and Blakeslee—3.

Absent—Messrs. Innis, Knowlton, Lindsay and Shepard—4.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs. Innis and Shepard, indefinitely;

To Mr. Hubbard, after evening session, indefinitely; and

To Mr. Lindsay, till Saturday evening.

Mr. Fink moved that the vote by which the Assembly refused to order to a third reading bill No. 4, S., be re-considered.

Mr. Johnson moved to lay the motion of Mr. Fink on the table, upon which the ayes and noes were ordered, and the motion to table was lost by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Black, Brooks, Brost, Cash, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Dale, Deland, Dorwin, Duxtader, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Hammel, Hubbard, Johnson, Knapp, Linderman, McCarty, Mohr, Neuhauser, Pope, Ringle, Roche, Senn, Seymour, Spence, Stapleton, Tisch, Thornton, Vincent, Van Waters, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman—39.

Noes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Phineas Baldwin, Bock, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dousman, Earnest, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Hamilton, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Leavens, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Ries, Rice, Fink, Sarnow, Scheuber, Shufelt, Sylvester, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Wall, Wannemaker, Mr. Speaker—50.

Mr. Spence moved a

CALL OF THE HOUSE,

Which was ordered.

The roll was called and the following members were absent: Messrs. Götze and Knowlton.

Mr. W. E. Carter moved to suspend the further proceedings under the call, which prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, Brooks, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dixon, Dousman, Earnest, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Gray, Greening, Grover, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Leavens, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Ries, Rice, Fink, Sarnow, Scheuber, Shufelt, Sylvester, Truell, Vance, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Mr. Speaker—52.

Noes—Messrs. Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Black, Brost, Cash, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Dale, Deland, Dorwin, Duxtader, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Flinn, Götze, Hubbard, Johnson, Knapp, Linderman, Luchsinger, McCarty, Mohr, Neuhauser, Pope, Ringle, Roche, Senn, Seymour, Spence, Stapleton, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Vincent, Van Waters, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman—40.

Mr. Spence moved to adjourn, upon which the roll was called, and motion lost by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Arnot, Black, Brost, Cash, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Dale, Deland, Dorwin, Duxtader, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Götze, Hammel, Hubbard, Johnson, Knapp, Linderman, McCarty, Mohr, Neuhauser, Pope, Ringle, Roche, Senn, Seymour, Spence, Stapleton, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Vincent, Van Waters, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman—38.

Noes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, Brooks, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dixon, Dousman, Earnest, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Hamilton, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Leavens, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Ries, Rice, Fink, Sarnow, Scheuber, Shufelt, Sylvester, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Wall, Wannemaker, Mr. Speaker—50.

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Rice, Fink, Sarnow, Scheuber, Shufelt, Sylvester, Truell, Vance, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Mr. Speaker—53.

Noes—Messrs. Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Black, Brooks, Brost, Cash, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Dale, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, H. J. Fisk, Gøtze, Hubbard, Johnson, Knapp, Linderman, McCarty, Mohr, Neuhauser, Pope, Ringle, Roche, Senn, Seymour, Spence, Stapleton, Tisch, Thornton, Vincent, Van Waters, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman—39.

The main question being, shall the vote be reconsidered, by which the Assembly refused to order bill No. 4, S., to a third reading,

Which prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dousman, Earnest, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Hamilton, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Leavens, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Ries, Rice, Fink, Sarnow, Scheuber, Shufelt, Sylvester, Truell, Vance, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Mr. Speaker—51.

Noes.—Messrs. Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Black, Brooks, Brost, Cash, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Dale, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Gøtze, Hammel, Hubbard, Johnson, Knapp, Linderman, McCarty, Mohr, Neuhauser, Pope, Ringle, Roche, Senn, Seymour, Spence, Stapleton, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Vincent, Van Waters, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman—42.

Mr. Vance offered the following amendment:

Amend section 1 by striking out the words "five years," and substituting the words "three years."

And moved the previous question, pending which

Mr. Hubbard moved that the Assembly do now adjourn, which was lost by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Black, Brooks, Brost, Cash, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Dale, Deland, Dorwin, Doxtader, H. J. Fisk, Gøtze, Hammel, Hubbard, Innis, Johnson, Knapp, Linderman, Marx, McCarty, Mohr, Neuhauser, Pope, Ringle, Roche, Fink, Senn, Seymour, Spence, Stapleton, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Vincent, Van Waters, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman—43.

Noes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dixon, Dousman, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Hamilton, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Leavens, Luchsinger, Maxwell, McCollum, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Ries, Rice, Sarnow, Scheuber, Shufelt, Sylvester, Truell, Vance, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Mr. Speaker—51.

Mr. Hubbard moved

A CALL OF THE HOUSE

Which was ordered, Mr. Knowlton being absent.

Mr. Vance moved that the further proceedings under the call be dispensed with, which was lost by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dixon, Dousman, Earnest, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Gray, Greening, Grover, Hamilton, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Leavens, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Ries, Rice, Fink, Sarnow, Scheuber, Shufelt, Sylvester, Truell, Vance, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Mr. Speaker.—50.

Noes—Messrs. Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Black, Brooks, Brost, Cash, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Dale, Deland, Dorwin, Doxtader, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Flinn, Götze, Hammel, Hubbard, Innis, Johnson, Knapp, Linderman, Luchsinger, McCarty, Mohr, Neuhauser, Pope, Ringle, Roche, Senn, Seymour, Spence, Stapleton, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Vincent, Van Waters, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman.—44.

Mr. Keogh moved that the Assembly do now adjourn.

Which was lost by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Black, Brooks, Brost, Cash, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Dale, Deland, Dorwin, Doxtader, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Götze, Hammel, Innis, Johnson, Knapp, Linderman, Marx, McCarty, Mohr, Neuhauser, Pope, Ringle, Roche, Fink, Senn, Seymour, Spence, Stapleton, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Vincent, Van Waters, Walker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman.—45.

Noes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dixon, Dousman, Earnest, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Hamilton, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Leavens, Luchsinger, Maxwell, McCollum, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Ries, Rice, Sarnow, Scheuber, Shufelt, Sylvester, Truell, Vance, Wall, Wannemaker, Mr. Speaker.—49.

Mr. Keogh moved to suspend the further proceedings under the call, which was carried by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, Brooks, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dale, Dixon, Dousman, Earnest, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Hamilton, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Leavens, Luchsinger, Maxwell, McCollum, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Ries, Rice, Fink, Sarnow, Scheuber, Shufelt, Sylvester, Truell, Vance, Wall, Wannemaker, Mr. Speaker.—52.

Noes—Messrs. Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Black, Brost, Cash, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Deland, Dorwin, Doxtader, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Götze, Hammel, Hubbard, Innis, Johnson, Knapp, Linderman, Marx, McCarty, Mohr, Neuhauser, Pope, Ringle, Roche, Senn, Seymour, Spence, Stapleton, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Vincent, Van Waters, Walker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman.—42.

The motion for the previous question having been seconded, the the main question was ordered by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dixon, Dousman, Earnest, W.

J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Hamilton, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Leavens, Luchsinger, Maxwell, McCollum, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Ries, Rice, Fink, Sarnow, Scheuber, Shufelt, Sylvester, Truell, Vance, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Mr. Speaker—52.

Noes—Messrs Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Black, Brooks, Brost, Cash, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Dale, Dorwin, H. J. Fisk, Hammel, Innis, Johnson, Knapp, Linderman, Marx, McCarthy, Mohr, Neuhauser, Pope, Ringle, Roche, Senn, Seymour, Spence, Stapleton, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Vincent, Van Waters, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman—38.

The question first being upon the amendment offered by Mr. Vance, the roll was called and the amendment adopted by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dousman, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hubburd, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Leavens, Luchsinger, Maxwell, McCollum, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Sarnow, Senn, Scheuber, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Thornton, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker—63.

Noes—Messrs. Arnot, Black, Brooks, Brost, Cash, Carmichael, Dale, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, H. J. Fisk, Goetze, Innis, Johnson, Knapp, Linderman, Marx, McCarty, Mohr, Neuhauser, Ringle, Roche, Fink, Seymour, Tisch, Touhey, Van Waters, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt—31.

The question now being, Shall this bill be read a third time? it prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dousman, Earnest, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Hamilton, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Leavens, Luchsinger, Maxwell, McCollum, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Ries, Rice, Sarnow, Scheuber, Shufelt, Sylvester, Truell, Vance, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Mr. Speaker—49.

Noes—Messrs. Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Black, Brooks, Brost, Cash, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Dale, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Goetze, Hammel, Innis, Johnson, Knapp, Linderman, Marx, McCarty, Mohr, Neuhauser, Pope, Ringle, Roche, Fink, Senn, Seymour, Spence, Stapleton, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Vincent, Van Waters, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman—44.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Weeks,
The Assembly adjourned.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1877.

Assembly met.

The Speaker in the chair.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Wilkinson.

The roll was called and the following members present :

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Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dousman, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hubburd, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Leavens, Luchsinger, Maxwell, McCollum, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Sarnow, Senn, Scheuber, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Thornton, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker—63.

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The question now being, Shall this bill be read a third time? it prevailed by the following vote:

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A bill in relation to the paving of Chestnut street, from the Milwaukee river to Fifth street, in the Second ward of the city of Milwaukee.

No. 347, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 254 of the private laws of 1868, and the several acts amendatory thereof, being the acts reviving and consolidating, and the acts amending the charter of the city of Sheboygan, and to repeal chapter 111 of the laws of 1875.

JOHN J. SENN,
Chairman.

The Committee on Roads and Bridges have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows:

No. 270, A.,

A bill to provide for laying out and establishing a State Road from Richland Center, in Richland county, Wis., to Hillsboro in Vernon county, Wis.

With amendment, and recommend its passage when so amended.

No. 329, A.,

A bill to amend sub-section 4 of section 50 of chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes relating to overseers of highways.

And recommend that it do pass.

No. 81, A.,

A bill relating to grading and turnpiking highways in this state.

Without any recommendation.

No. 345, A.,

A bill to prevent the destruction of graveled roads.

Without any recommendation.

No. 387, A.,

A bill relating to highways and bridges, and amendatory of section 36, chapter 152 of the laws of the State of Wisconsin for 1869.

We recommend its indefinite postponement.

No. 309, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 267 of the general laws of 1873, entitled "an act to authorize town supervisors to lay out public highways in certain cases, and to repeal chapter 286 of the general laws of 1875," relating and amendatory to section 1 of said chapter 267 of the general laws of 1873.

And recommend its indefinite postponement.

S. I. SEYMOUR.

Chairman.

REPORT OF JOINT COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

The Joint Committee on Claims had under consideration

No. 276, A.,

A bill to provide for the purchase of 250 copies of Webster's Dictionary.

No. 449, A.,

A bill to amend section 2, of chapter 385, of the laws of 1876.

And report the same back with the recommendation that said bills do pass.

JOHN LUCHSINGER,

Chairman.

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

The Select Committee to whom was referred

No. 429, A.,

Beg leave to report, and ask that the bill be printed and referred to the Committee on Claims.

EDWIN HYDE,

Chairman.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

The Special Committee to whom was referred

No. 106, A.,

A bill to provide for a state board of education, and for a uni-

formity of text-books for the use of public schools throughout the state.

Has had the same under consideration, and report the same back with amendment, and recommend when so amended that it do pass.

D. R. SYLVESTER,
Chairman.

The Brown county delegation to whom was referred

No. 171, A.,

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Fort Howard.

Report the same back with an amendment, and recommend its passage when so amended.

W. J. FISK.
D. M. KELLEY.

The Select Committee, consisting of the Fond du Lac City Delegation, report back

No. 379, A.,

A bill to amend "an act to incorporate the State Firemen's Association of Wisconsin."

With the recommendation that it be re-committed to the Committee on Incorporations.

SENATE BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

No. 4, S.,

A bill to extend the time of exemption from assessment and taxation of certain bonds, fixed in the act incorporating the Winnebago and Lake Superior Railroad Company, approved April 6, 1866, and in the act incorporating the Portage and Superior Railroad Company, approved April 9, 1866.

Mr. Spence moved that the further consideration of said bill be postponed until Tuesday morning.

Lost.

Mr. Flinn was excused by the Assembly from voting on this bill, having paired off with Mr. Luchsinger, who was absent on leave.

Mr. Fink was also excused, having paired off with Mr. Carmichael, who was absent on leave.

The question now being upon concurrence to bill No. 4, S.,

The bill was read a third time and concurred in by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dousman, Earnest, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Gray, Greening, Grover, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnston, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Leavens,

Maxwell, McCollum, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Ries, Rice, Sarnow, Scheuber, Shufelt, Sylvester, Truell, Vance, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Mr. Speaker—47.

Noes—Messrs. Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Black, Brooks, Brost, Cash, Dale, Deland, Dorwin, Duxtader, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Goetze, Innis, Johnson, Knapp, Marx, McCarty, Neuhauser, Pope, Ringle, Roche, Senn, Seymour, Spence, Stapleton, Thornton, Vincent, Van Waters, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman—35.

Mr. Hulburt moved that the vote just taken, by which bill No. 4, S., was concurred in, be re-considered, and motion laid upon the table; pending which,

Mr. Spence moved that the Assembly do now adjourn.

Lost.

Mr. Spence moved a

CALL OF THE HOUSE,

Pending which

Mr. Keogh moved the previous question,

Which being seconded, the main question was ordered.

The main question being, upon laying the motion of Mr. Hulburt to reconsider the vote by which bill No. 4, S., was concurred in, upon the table, it was carried by the following vote.

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Bock, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dousman, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Gray, Greening, Grover, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnston, Kelley, Keogh, Kinzie, Leavens, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Ries, Rice, Sarnow, Scheuber, Shufelt, Sylvester, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Wall, Wannemaker, Mr. Speaker—51.

Noes—Messrs. Arnold, Arnot, Brooks, Brost, Cash, Dale, Deland, Dorwin, Duxtader, H. J. Fisk, Goetze, Innis, Johnson, Knapp, McCarty, Neuhauser, Pope, Ringle, Roche, Senn, Seymour, Spence, Stapleton, Thornton, Van Waters, Walker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman—31.

And motion tabled.

No. 256, S.,

A bill relating to certificates of employes of the legislature, and amendatory of section 9, of chapter 345, of the laws of Wisconsin.

Was read a third time and concurred in by the Assembly.

ASSEMBLY BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

No. 187, A.,

A bill to legalize the official acts of Edward F. Carpenter, as notary public for Rock county.

No. 164, A.,

A bill to authorize the city of Racine to appropriate certain money.

No. 172, A.,

A bill to extend the benefits of the public schools, and to promote the fitness of young foreigners for citizenship.

Were each read a third time and passed.

No. 149, A.,

A bill to appropriate to George B. Smith and William F. Vilas a sum of money therein named.

Was read a third time and passed by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Brost, Cash, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dale, Deland, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Hamilton, Hammel, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Maxwell, Marx, McCarty, Merrill, Neuhauser, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Scheuber, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Thornton, Truell, Vance, Van Waters, Wall, Wannemaker, Weeks, Wyatt, Mr. Speaker—66.

Noes—Messrs. Bock, Grover, Mitchell, Newman, Rice, Seymour, Zeiman—7.

No. 139, A.,

A bill to prevent certain officers and teachers from acting as agents in the sale of school books.

Was read a third time and passed.

No. 251, A.,

A bill relating to the registering of the names of persons who have heretofore or may hereafter declare their intentions to become citizens, or who have been or may hereafter be admitted to become citizens of the United States of America, and amendatory of chapter 60, laws of 1866.

Was read a third time and passed by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Cash, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dale, Deland, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Maxwell, Marx, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shufelt, Stapleton, Sylvester, Thornton, Truell, Vance, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Weeks, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker—71.

Noes—0.

No. 1, A.,

A bill to authorize the town of Muckwa, in the county of Wau-paca, to issue its corporate bonds in payment of the judgment against the said town, in favor of Geo. F. Hammond and Sophia C. Hammond.

No. 214, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of Frank Higgins, a justice of the peace in the county of La Fayette.

Were each read a third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Hammel,
No. 279, A.,

Was withdrawn from the Committee on Incorporations and re-committed to a committee of one (Mr. Hammel).

On motion of Mr. Johnston,
No. 250, A.,

Was taken from General File and re-committed to a committee of one for perfection (Mr. Johnston).

On motion of Mr. Van Waters,
No. 295, A.,

Was taken from General File and re-committed to a committee of one for perfection (Mr. Van Waters).

On motion of Mr. Spence,
No. 333, A.,

Was taken from the General File and re-committed to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

On motion of Mr. Cash,
No. 153, A.,

Was taken from General File, and re-committed to Judiciary Committee

On motion of Mr. McCarty,
No. 271, A.,

Was taken from General File, and re-committed to Committee on Agriculture.

On motion of Mr. Cash,
No. 334, A.,

Was re-committed to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

On motion of Mr. Spence,
No. 214, A.,

Was taken from General File, and re-committed to the Fond du Lac County Delegation.

On motion of Mr. Seymour,
The vote by which the Assembly refused to concur in
No. 25, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 53, general laws of 1858, entitled "an act for the formation and protection of County Agricultural Societies."

Was reconsidered, and

On motion of Mr. Cassoday,

The further consideration of said bill was postponed until tomorrow.

On motion of Mr. Pope,
The Assembly resolved itself into a

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

On the General File of Bills,
Mr. W. E. Carter in the chair.

After some time spent therein the committee arose and through their chairman reported as follows:

Mr. SPEAKER: The Assembly in Committee of the Whole, has had under consideration the General File of Bills, has gone through with the same, and has instructed me to report the following bills to the Assembly for its consideration:

No. 414, A.,

A bill relating to railroads and amendatory of section 7, of chapter 57, of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1876.

No. 157, A.,

A bill relation to laying out building lots in villages and cities and amendatory of chapter 22 of the laws of 1876.

No. 186, A.,

A bill relating to the mining of iron ore, etc., and to the assessment for taxation of real property containing iron ore.

No. 210, A.,

A bill to guard against the abuse of the elective franchise and to preserve the purity of elections by regulating the appointment of Inspectors of Election and requiring a registration of electors in certain cases; to repeal chapter 445 of the laws of 1864, chapter 290 of the laws of 1865, chapter 126 of the laws of 1866, chapter 131 of the laws of 1871, chapter 232 of the laws of 1875, chapter 302 of the laws of 1876, and amendatory of certain city and village charters therein referred to.

No. 226, A.,

A bill in relation to the settlement of estates, where the county judge is incapacitated, and to amend section 16, of chapter 117, of the Revised Statutes.

No. 253, A.,

A bill relating to costs and fees, and amendatory of sections 1 and 4, chapter 133, Revised Statutes, and the several acts amendatory thereof.

No. 255, A.,

A bill relating to actions and proceedings by non-residents, guardians, and amendatory of section 1, of chapter 73, of the general laws of 1871.

No. 195, A.,

A bill relating to the organization of manufacturing companies and other purposes, and amendatory of section 12, of chapter 144, of the general laws of 1872.

No. 351, A.,

A bill to provide for the holding of the December term of the Circuit Court for the county of Waupaca, at the village of New London in said county.

No. 264, A.,

A bill to constitute the clerk of the circuit court of Clark county, Wisconsin, clerk of the county court of said county in probate and all other proceedings therein.

No. 326, A.,

A bill relating to the form of ballots to be used at elections.

No. 294, A.,

A bill relating to the indexing of records for Door county.

No. 236, A.,

A bill to protect contractors, sub-contractors, and laborers, in their claims against railroads, companies and corporations, contractors and sub-contractors.

No. 283, A.,

A bill to abolish monopolies.

No. 188, A.,

A bill relating to justices of the peace and constables in incorporated villages, and amendatory of section 2, chapter 319 of the laws of Wisconsin for 1874, entitled "an act to provide for justices of the peace and constables in incorporated villages."

No. 202, A.,

A bill to provide for the support of married women and their minor children, and for the custody of minor children by their mothers, in certain cases.

No. 219, A.,

A bill relating to state funds.

No. 203, A.,

Relating to exemptions of mechanics and laborers, and amendatory of chapter 148 of the general laws of Wisconsin for 1858, and chapter 280 of the general laws of 1861, amendatory thereof.

No. 218, A.,

A bill to amend the constitution of Wisconsin, relating to appointing judges of courts, and to compensation of members of the legislature.

No. 228, A.,

A bill to enable grantees, under foreclosure of mortgage, by virtue of chapter 154 of the Revised Statutes, to obtain possession.

No. 227, A.,

A bill relating to costs and fees, and amending section 33 of chapter 133 of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of costs and fees."

No. 247, A.,

A bill relating to justices of the peace and constables in the city of Milwaukee, and to repeal chapter 191, of the general laws of 1876.

No. 249, A.,

A bill relating to the board of equalization of the city of Manitowoc, and amendatory of section 4, chapter 275, private and local laws of 1870, entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Manitowoc."

No. 453, A.,

A bill to provide for the appointment of five commissioners, who shall furnish to the next legislature certain information, and who shall report to said legislature a bill to re-district the state into judicial circuits, equalizing the labors of the judges thereof, and determining the salaries of said judges.

No. 102, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 117. of the general laws of 1876, entitled "an act to permanently provide for deficiencies in the university fund income."

No. 306, A.,

A bill to amend sections 6 and 8 of chapter 93, of the general laws of 1870, entitled "an act for the improvement and raising of stock."

No. 121, A.,

A bill relating to the distraining of cattle doing damage, and amendatory of section 1, of chapter 51, of the Revised Statutes.

Each without amendments.

No. 195, A.,

A bill to create the county of "Wells," and provide for the organization of same.

With amendments.

No. 243, A.,

A bill to provide for the establishing of two election precincts in the town of Milwaukee, in the county of Milwaukee.

No. 197, A.,

A bill relating to prisons and common jails, and amendatory of section 12, of chapter 190, of the Revised Statutes of Wisconsin.

No. 163, A.,

A bill to appropriate the sum of one hundred and fifteen thousand dollars to the Northern Hospital for the Insane, for the purposes therein set forth.

No. 307, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 57, of the general laws of 1876, entitled "an act to amend chapter 273, of the general laws of 1874, relating to railroads, express and telegraph companies of the State of Wisconsin."

No. 118, A.,

A bill relating to town insurance companies.

No. 233, A.,

A bill to authorize the city of Milwaukee to enlarge the first ward hay market, and to levy a special tax therefor in said ward.

Each without amendment.

No. 99, A.,

A bill to provide for the establishment of a hospital and school for imbecile, idiotic or feeble-minded children.

No. 259, A.,

A bill to legalize the action of the East Troy Town Insurance Company, of Walworth county.

No. 278, A.,

A bill relating to swamp and overflowed lands in the counties of Manitowoc and Calumet, and amendatory of chapter 341, of the private and local laws of 1867, and chapter 201, laws of 1873, chapter 537, laws of 1865, and chapter 327, laws of 1874, for draining and other purposes.

Each with amendments.

No. 51, S.,

A bill to authorize the city of Janesville to issue bonds to provide and pay for engine houses in said city.

No. 44, S.,

A bill to amend sections 5 and 9 of chapter 193 of the laws of

1873, entitled "an act to change the management of the state prison, and to amend and consolidate all laws concerning the same."

Jt. Res., No. 15, A.,

Asking Congress to make an appropriation to construct a light house at the mouth of the harbor at Menominee.

Jt. Res., No. 20, A.,

Relating to an amendment to the constitution of the United States.

M. C. No. 8, A.,

To Congress for the establishment of a mail route from Friendship, in the county of Adams, to Liberty Bluff, in the county of Marquette.

M. C., No. 7, A.,

To Congress for the establishment of a money order department to the post office at Osseo, Trempealeau county, Wis.

Each without amendment.

No 20, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the Northern Hospital for the Insane, a sum of money therein named, for the payment of current expenses, for permanent improvements, and for miscellaneous purposes.

No. 18, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the Industrial School for Boys, a sum of money therein named.

No. 16, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the Institute for the Education of the Deaf and Dumb a sum of money therein named.

No. 17, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the Institution for the Education of the Blind, a sum of money therein named.

No. 19, S.,

A bill to appropriate for the payment of pensions of soldiers' orphans, a sum of money therein named.

Each without amendment.

No. 107, A.,

A bill regulatning the general and special elections, and amendatory of section one of chapter seven of Revised Statutes of Wisconsin.

Resolution reported by committee on Judiciary for said bill, adopted by committee of the whole.

On motion of Mr. Hamilton.

The Assembly adjourned till 7:30 this evening.

7:30 P. M.

Assembly met,

The Speaker in the chair.

The roll was called, and the following members present:

Messrs.—Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Baldwin, Phi-

neas, Baldwin, A. L., Black, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Cash, Carter, W. E., Crockett, Dale, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnson, Johnston, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Scheuber, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassody—76.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Luchsinger, Carmichael, Kast, Linderman, Knowlton, Dixon, Vincent, Pierce, Shepard, B. F. Carter, Wright, Burnett, Innis, Lindsay, Hubbard, Blakeslee, Dailey—17.

Absent—Messrs. Deland, Phillips, Senn, Seymour, Tisch, Wannemaker—6.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

- Was granted to Messrs. Seymour and Wannemaker, till Saturday morning.
 - To Mr. Senn, till Monday evening.
 - To Mr. Tisch, till Saturday morning.

On motion of Mr. Spence,

The Assembly adjourned till 9 A. M., Saturday, 17th.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1877.

Assembly met,

The Speaker in the chair.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Wilkinson.

The roll was called and the following members present:

Messrs. Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Cash, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dale, Deland, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. H. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Leavens, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Casody—78.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Luchsinger, Carmicheal, Kast, Linderman, Knowlton, Dixon, Vincent, Pierce, Shepard, B. F. Carter, Wright, Blakeslee, Dailey, Burnett, Hubbard, Seymour, Wannemaker, Senn, Tisch—19.

Absent—Messrs. Hyde, McCarty, Zeiman—3.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted to Mr. Zeiman till Tuesday evening.

To Messrs. McCarty, Thornton and Newman until Monday evening.

To Mr. Anderson for one hour.

To Mr. Hyde until Monday evening.

MEMORIALS PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. Flanders:

Mem. No. 196, A.,

Petition of Wm. A. Marston for payment of a judgment against Jeremiah M. Rusk, bank comptroller of Wisconsin.

To Committee on Claims.

By Mr. Grover :

Mem. No. 197, A.,

Remonstrance of W. N. Rockman and 26 others, against the passage of the bill exempting the North Wisconsin Railroad lands from taxation.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Grover :

Mem. No. 198, A.,

Remonstrance of S. P. Hart and 40 others, against the exemption of the lands of the North Wisconsin Railroad.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Grover :

Mem. No. 199, A.,

Remonstrance of H. J. Youmans and 44 others, against the exemption of the lands of the North Wisconsin Railroad.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Grover :

Mem., No. 200, A.,

Remonstrance of John E. McGuier and 27 others, against the exemption of the North Wisconsin Railroad land from taxation.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Grover :

Mem., No. 201, A.,

Remonstrance of Geo. W. Hickok and 15 others, against the passage of the bill exempting the lands of the North Wisconsin Railroad from taxation.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Grover :

Mem. No. 202, A.,

Remonstrance of James Thompson and 60 others, against the exemption of the lands of the North Wisconsin Railroad from taxation.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED.

By Mr. Rice :

Res. No. 37, A.,

Authorizing the employment of copyists for the Assembly.

Was amended as follows :

Resolved, That the chief clerk be and hereby is authorized to employ such copists as he may require, for the purpose of enrolling and engrossing, at a compensation of not to exceed seven cents per folio.

Which was adopted.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same correctly engrossed :

No. 201, A.

A bill relating to the election of city marshal in the city of Janesville, and amendatory of section 4, of chapter 223, of the private and local laws of 1867, entitled "an act to amend chapter 474 of the private and local laws of 1866," and the several acts amendatory thereof.

No. 208, A.,

A bill to prohibit the employment of children under twelve years of age, in factories or other workshops in this state.

No. 223, A.,

A bill relating to the partition of real estate, and amendatory of chapter 142, of the Revised Statutes, relating to the partition of lands owned by several persons.

No. 207, A.,

A bill to authorize the clerks of the circuit and county courts for the county of Milwaukee, to appoint additional deputies.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same correctly engrossed.

No. 96, A.,

A bill relating to the appointment of fire wardens, and amendatory of chapter 27, of the general laws of this state for the year 1874.

No. 200, A.,

A bill relating to assessors in the city of Janesville, and amendatory of section one (1), of chapter seven (7), of chapter four hundred and seventy-four (474), of the private and local laws of Wisconsin for 1866, entitled "an act to reduce the act incorporating the city of Janesville, and the several acts amendatory thereof into one act and amend the same."

W. R. HERRON,
Chairman.

The Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes to whom was referred

No. 291, A.,

A bill to authorize the common council of the city of Watertown to levy a special tax to pay for engines and a bridge.

Beg to report that they have had the same under consideration and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it do pass.

No. 262, A.,

A bill to authorize the city of Racine to levy a special tax.

Have had the same under consideration and have directed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it do pass.

No. 269, A.,

A bill to amend section 32, of chapter 130, of the general laws of 1868, entitled "an act to provide for the assessment of property for taxation and the levy of taxes thereon."

Beg to report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back with recommendation that it do pass.

D. P. HULL,
Chairman.

The Committee on Education have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows :

No. 319, A.,

A bill to authorize the commissioners of school and university lands to loan a portion of the trust funds of the state to the city of Neenah.

And recommend its passage.

No. 138, A.,

A bill to provide for purchasing one thousand copies of a wall-map of the State of Wisconsin, and supplying school districts with them at cost price.

With amendments, and recommend its passage when so amended.

No. 122, A.,

A bill to enforce the attendance of children at the public schools.

No. 302, A.,

A bill to repeal section 39, of chapter 151, of general laws of Wisconsin for 1869, entitled "an act to codify the laws relating to normal schools, and to amend chapter 94, of general laws of 1859, and chapter 116, general laws of 1866."

No. 252, A.,

A bill to levy a state tax for the better support of public schools, and to provide for the distribution thereof.

And recommend their indefinite postponement.

ELIHU BAILEY,
Chairman.

The Committee on Insurance, Banks and Banking have had under consideration

No. 285, A.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 299 of the laws of 1873, entitled "an act to amend chapter 56, general laws of 1870, entitled 'an act to provide for the incorporation and government of fire and inland navigation and insurance companies.'"

No. 286, A.,

A bill relating to the capital of fire and inland navigation insurance companies of other states and of foreign governments, desiring to transact business in this state.

No. 304, A.,

A bill relating to fire insurance companies doing business in the State of Wisconsin.

And recommend the passage of the same.

D. VANCE,
Chairman.

The Committee on Roads and Bridges have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows :

No. 115, A.,

A bill to authorize A. M. Woodbury to build and maintain a pontoon bridge across the Wisconsin river.

And recommend its passage.

No. 308, A.,

A bill relating to highways, streets and alleys, upon boundary lines of cities and towns.

And recommend that it do pass.

S. J. SEYMOUR,
Chairman.

The Committee on Public Improvements have had under consideration

No. 314, A.,

A bill to authorize Philetus Sawyer, Jesse Spaulding and Isaac Stephenson and their associates, successors, heirs and assignees to improve that portion of the Menomonee river being in the State of Wisconsin and above Sand Portage rapids, for log-driving purposes.

And recommend that the same do pass.

SAMUEL BLACK,
Chairman.

The Committee on Town and County Organization have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows :

No. 320, A.,

A bill to divide the town of Wrightstown, Brown county, and to create the town of Greenleaf.

No. 372, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 181, laws of 1876, entitled " of town officers."

And indefinite postponement recommended in each.

No. 103, S.,

A bill to change the boundaries of certain towns in Lincoln county, and to organize the county of Scanawan.

Report by substitute and recommend passage of substitute.

H. P. LEAVENS,
Chairman.

The Committee on Agriculture have had under consideration the following bill, and report the same back as follows :

No. 359, A.,

A bill relating to the right of way of railroads and amendatory of section 16, of chapter 119 of the general laws of 1872.

Respectfully report the same back with a recommendation of the passage of the same.

W. T. BROOKS,
Chairman.

The Committee on Judiciary have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows :

No. 119, A.,

A bill to repeal section 1 of chapter 266 of the general laws of 1876, relating to cemetery associations and town cemeteries.

No. 406, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 407 of the general laws of 1876, and amend section 2 of chapter 89 of the general laws of 1872.

Without amendments, and passage recommended.

No. 77, S.,

A bill in relation to judgments.

Without amendment, and concurrence recommended.

No. 17, A.,

A bill in relation to the guardianship of insane persons and spendthrifts.

With a recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

No. 339, A.,

A bill to facilitate the more perfect execution of trusts, in certain cases.

No. 31, A.,

A bill to prevent the commission of waste upon lands upon which tax certificates are outstanding and unpaid.

No. 162, A.,

A bill relating to the exemption of earnings of married men and others, and amendatory of chapter 148, laws of 1858.

No. 441, A.,

A bill to require notice of application for tax deeds, in certain cases.

No. 375, A.,

A bill to declare warehouse receipts negotiable.

Each with amendments and passage recommended, when so amended.

Mem. No. 86, A.,

A petition from D. T. Post and a number of other citizens, praying for the appointment of a committee to investigate the probate court of Milwaukee county.

With the recommendation that the same be referred to the Milwaukee County Delegation.

CARL C. POPE,
Chairman.

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

The Milwaukee Delegation to whom was referred

No. 100, A.,

A bill to amend section 9, of chapter 3, of chapter 184, of the laws of 1874, entitled "an act to consolidate, revise and amend the charter of the city of Milwaukee, approved February 20th, 1852, and the several acts amendatory thereof."

No. 422, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 47, of the general laws of 1871, entitled "an act to amend chapter 107, of the private and local laws of 1867, entitled 'an act to authorize the appointment of a phonographic reporter in the circuit court of the counties of Milwaukee and Kenosha.'"

No. 436, A.,

A bill providing for the letting of the official printing of Milwaukee county.

Have had the same under consideration, and report the same back with the recommendation that they do pass.

No. 185, A.,

A bill to fix the compensation of the county judge of Milwaukee county, and to provide for the appointment of register of probate of the county court of said county, and for other purposes.

And recommend the indefinite postponement of the same.

No. 365, A.,

A bill amendatory of and supplementary to the charter of the city of Milwaukee."

No. 435, A.,

A bill to amend section 2, chapter 192, of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act in relation to justices of the peace and constables of the city of Milwaukee.

Have had the same under consideration, and report the same back with a recommendation that they do pass.

ED. KEOGH,
Chairman.

The Select Committee to whom was referred

No. 444, A.,

A bill relating to the preservation of fish in Sugar river.

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report the same back with recommendation that it do pass.

M. JOHNSON,
Committee.

The Fond du Lac County Delegation to whom was referred

No. 176, S.,

A bill to repeal chapter 82 of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act to amend chapter 72 of the private and local laws of 1874."

Report the same back with a substitute, and recommend the concurrence of the bill by substitute.

T. W. SPENCE,
Chairman.

The Special Committee to whom was referred
No. 250, A.,
A bill relating to drainage in the city of Manitowoc, and amendatory of section 7, chapter 228, of the laws of Wisconsin for 1875.
Report it back, and passage recommended.

P. JOHNSTON,
Committee.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By A. J. TURNER, Chief Clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:—I am directed to inform you that the Senate has passed and asks the concurrence of the Assembly in

No. 168, S.,

A bill to amend an act entitled "an act to amend chapter 262, of the laws of 1875, and to amend an act entitled 'an act to revise, consolidate and amend an act to incorporate the city of Green Bay,' and the several acts amendatory thereof," approved March 8, 1875.

No. 86, S.,

A bill for the preservation of fish in lakes Winnebago, Butte des Morts, Winneconne, Poygan, and Little Lake Butte des Morts, and the waters of Fox river, between Little Lake Butte des Morts and the mouth of Wolf river, and lake Winneconne.

No. 2, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the state prison a sum of money therein named, for current expenses and general repairs.

No. 108, S.,

A bill to fix the times for holding the terms of the circuit court in the county of Kenosha.

No. 125, S.,

A bill relating to assaults with intent to do great bodily harm, and to prescribe the punishment therefor.

No. 184, S.,

A bill to amend an act entitled "an act to organize a union school district in the village and town of Monroe, in the county of Green."

No. 67, S.,

A bill to amend section 6, of chapter 165, of the laws of Wisconsin of 1874, entitled "an act to secure the safe navigation of the Wisconsin river."

No. 87, S.,

A bill to provide for acquiring title to a certain tract of land adjoining Northern Hospital for the Insane.

No. 117, S.,

A bill to appropriate to Joseph B. Treat and others, sums of money therein named.

No. 188, S.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money therein named, to pay for additional copies of the Legislative Manual for 1877.

No. 126, S.,

A bill relating to court commissioners, their appointment, powers and duties, and amendatory of section 94, of chapter 13, of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of counties and county officers," and the several acts amendatory thereof.

No. 254, S.

A bill for the relief of Sarah Jane Tarr, and to appropriate to her a certain sum of money, therein named.

No. 160, S.,

A bill to authorize the trustees, managers and directors of the state charitable, penal and benevolent institutions, to require their treasurer or other person having money or property of said institutions in their possession, to give bonds.

No 111, S.,

A bill to amend section 15 of chapter 133, of the Revised Statutes, relating to witness fees in courts of record.

And has concurred in

Jt. Res. No. 24, A.,

Relating to the war eagle, Old Abe.

And has refused to concur in

No. 55, A.,

A bill relating to fences, and amendatory of section 1 of chapter 17 of the Revised Statutes for the year 1858, an act entitled "of fences and fence-viewers, of pounds and the impounding of cattle."

And return to the Assembly, as requested,

No. 176, S.,

A bill to repeal chapter 82, of the laws of Wisconsin of 1876, entitled "an act amendatory of chapter 72, of the private and local laws of 1858, relating to the city of Ripon."

No. 70, S.,

A bill relating to actions against counties and cities on defective tax certificates and tax deeds, and amendatory of section 1, chapter 144, of the laws of Wisconsin, of 1874.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Read first and second times and referred.

No. 86, S.,

To Committee on Agriculture.

No. 2, S.,

To General File.

No. 108, S.,

To Committee on Judiciary.

No. 125, S.,
To Committee on Judiciary.
No. 184, S.,
To Committee on Education.
No. 67, S.,
To Committee on Public Improvements.
No. 87, S.,
To General File.
No. 117, S.,
To General File.
No. 188, S.,
To General File.
No. 168, S.,

Was, on motion of Mr. Kelly, referred to Committee of one:
(Mr. Kelly.)

No. 126, S.,
To Judiciary Committee.
No. 254, S.,
To General File.
No. 160, S.,
To Judiciary Committee.
No. 111, S.,
To Judiciary Committee.

ASSEMBLY BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

No. 179, A.,

A bill relating to the improvement of certain portions of the Embarrass river, and amendatory of chapter 249, of the laws of 1876.

No. 42, A.,

A bill relating to estates in dower, and amendatory of sections 17, 18, and 19, of chapter 89, of the Revised Statutes.

No. 209, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 276, of the general laws of 1875, entitled "an act to fix the fees of the register of deeds of the county of Milwaukee, for the registration of marriages, births and deaths."

No. 23, A.,

A bill relating to town treasurers, and defining their duties in certain cases.

No. 85, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 60, of the laws of 1866, in relation to registering the names of persons declaring their intention to become citizens of the United States.

No. 182, A.,

A bill to authorize the construction of a viaduct on Reservoir avenue, in the 6th ward of the city of Milwaukee.

No. 193, A.,

A bill relating to prisons and common jails, and amendatory of section 9, of chapter 190, of the Revised Statutes.

No. 84, A.,

A bill to amend section 16, of chapter 141, of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of the recovery of real property."

No. 215, A.,

A bill to authorize the transfer into the proper offices of certain documents belonging to the state.

No. 92, A.,

A bill relating to foreclosure sales, and amendatory of section 2, chapter 299, of the laws of 1863.

No. 230, A.,

A bill to increase the amount of the official bond of the clerk of the circuit court of Milwaukee county.

No. 256, A.,

A bill to discontinue a state road from Chippewa Falls, in Chippewa county, to Augusta, in the town of Bridge Creek, in Eau Claire county.

No. 66, A.,

A bill relating to public printing, and amendatory of section 28, chapter 243, of the laws of 1874.

No. 180, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money to the governor for the benefit of the state library, and to repeal chapter 32, general laws of 1864, and sections one and eight of chapter 26, of Revised Statutes.

Were each read a third time and passed.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE CONSIDERED.

Substitute for

No. 105, A.,

A bill to create the county of Wells and provide for the organization of the same.

Mr. Hammel moved that bill be indefinitely postponed.

Which was lost,

And amendment to substitute adopted.

Substitute as amended adopted, and bill ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 259, A.,

A bill to legalize the action of the East Troy Town Insurance Company of Walworth county.

Substitute adopted, and ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 99, A.,

A bill to provide for the establishment of a hospital and school for imbecile, idiotic, or feeble-minded children.

Substitute ordered printed, and re-committed to the Committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

No. 278, A.,

A bill relating to swamp and overflowed lands in the counties of Manitowoc and Calumet, and amendatory of chapter 341, of the private and local laws of 1867, and chapter 201, laws of 1873, chapter 537, laws of 1865, and chapter 327, laws of 1874, for draining and other purposes.

Amendments adopted, and ordered engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 107, A.,

Jt. Res. No. 29, A., reported by Committee on Privileges and Elections, as substitute for said bill.

Substitute amended, and adopted as amended, and ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 226, A.,

A bill in relation to the settlement of estates where the county judge is incapacitated, and to amend section 16 of chapter 117 of the Revised Statutes.

No. 253, A.,

A bill relating to costs and fees, and amendatory of sections 1 and 4, chapter 133, Revised Statutes, and the several acts amendatory thereof.

No. 255, A.,

A bill relating to actions and proceedings by non-residents, guardians, and amendatory of section 1, of chapter 73, of the general laws of 1871.

No. 195, A.,

A bill relating to the organization of manufacturing companies and other purposes, and amendatory of section 12, of chapter 144, of the general laws of 1872.

No. 227, A.,

A bill relating to costs and fees, and amending section 33 of chapter 133 of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of costs and fees."

No. 453, A.,

A bill to provide for the appointment of five commissioners, who shall furnish to the next legislature certain information, and who shall report to said legislature a bill to re-district the state into judicial circuits, equalizing the labors of the judges thereof, and determining the salaries of said judges.

No. 121, A.,

A bill relating to the distraining of cattle doing damage, and amendatory of section 1, of chapter 51, of the Revised Statutes.

Each without amendments.

No. 249, A.,

A bill relating to the board of equalization of the city of Manitowoc, and amendatory of section 4, chapter 275, private and local laws of 1870, entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Manitowoc."

No. 243, A.,

A bill to provide for the establishing of two election precincts in the town of Milwaukee, in the county of Milwaukee.

No. 118, A.,

A bill relating to town insurance companies.

Were each ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 210, A.,

A bill to guard against the abuse of the elective franchise, and to preserve the purity of elections by regulating the appointment of inspectors of elections, and requiring a registration of electors, in certain cases, and to repeal chapter 445, of the laws of 1864, chapter 296, of the laws of 1865, chapter 126, of the laws of 1866, chapter 134, of the laws of 1871, chapter 232, of the laws of 1875, chapter 302, of the laws of 1876.

On motion of Mr. Spence,

The further consideration of which was postponed until Monday evening next.

On motion of Mr. Brooks,

No. 186, A.,

A bill relating to the mining of iron ore, etc., and to the assessment for taxation of real property containing iron ore.

Was laid aside until Tuesday next.

M. C. No. 8, A.,

To Congress for the establishment of a mail route from Friendship, in the county of Adams, to Liberty Bluff, in the county of Marquette.

Jt. Res., No. 15, A..

Asking Congress to make an appropriation to construct a lighthouse at the mouth of the harbor at Menominee.

Jt. Res., No. 20, A.,

Relating to an amendment to the constitution of the United States.

Were each ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 163, A.,

A bill to appropriate the sum of one hundred and fifteen thousand dollars to the Northern Hospital for the Insane, for the purposes therein set forth.

Was referred to Committee on Claims.

No. 414, A.,

A bill relating to railroads, and amendatory of section 7, chapter 57, of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1876.

Was re-committed to the Committee on Railroads, and ordered spread on desks.

No. 157, A.,

A bill relating to laying out building lots in villages and cities, and amendatory of chapter 22, of the laws of 1876.

No. 351, A.,

A bill to provide for the holding of the December term of the circuit court for the county of Waupaca. at the village of New London, in said county.

No. 264, A.,

A bill to constitute the clerk of the circuit court of Clark county, Wisconsin, clerk of the county court of said county in probate and all other proceedings therein.

No. 326, A.,

A bill relating to the form of ballots to be used at elections.

No. 283, A.,

A bill to abolish monopolies.

No. 294, A.,

A bill relating to the indexing of records for Door county.

No. 236, A.,

A bill to protect contractors, sub-contractors, and laborers in their claims against railroads, companies and corporations, contractors and sub-contractors.

No. 188, A.,

A bill relating to justices of the peace and constables in incorporated villages, and amendatory of section 2, chapter 319, of the laws of Wisconsin for 1874, entitled "an act to provide for justices of the peace and constables in incorporated villages."

No. 219, A.,

A bill relating to state funds.

No. 203, A.,

Relating to exemptions of mechanics and laborers, and amendatory of chapter 148, of the general laws of Wisconsin for 1858, and chapter 280, of the general laws of 1861, amendatory thereof.

No. 218, A.,

A bill to amend the constitution of Wisconsin, relating to appointing judges of courts, and to compensation of members of the legislature.

No. 228, A.,

A bill to enable grantees, under foreclosure of mortgage, by virtue of chapter 154, of the Revised Statutes, to obtain possession.

No. 306, A.,

A bill to amend sections 6 and 8, of chapter 93, of the general laws of 1870, entitled "an act for the improvement and raising of stock."

No. 197, A.,

A bill relating to prisons and common jails, and amendatory of section 12, of chapter 190, of the Revised Statutes of Wisconsin.

No. 233, A.,

A bill to authorize the city of Milwaukee to enlarge the First ward hay market, and to levy a special tax therefor in said ward.

No. 307, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 57, of the general laws of 1876, entitled "an act to amend chapter 273, of the general laws of 1874, relating to railroads, express and telegraph companies of the State of Wisconsin."

Were each indefinitely postponed.

No. 202, A.,

A bill to provide for the support of married women and their

minor children and for the custody of minor children by their mothers in certain cases.

Was laid aside, on motion of Mr. Flanders, till Tuesday next.

No. 102, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 117 of the general laws of 1876, entitled "an act to permanently provide for the deficiencies in the university fund income."

Was on motion of Mr. W. E. Carter, laid aside till Tuesday morning.

M. C. No. 7, A.,

To Congress for the establishment of a money order department to the post office at Osseo, Trempealeau county, Wisconsin.

Was on motion of Mr. Leavens, indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. W. E. Carter, the vote by which

No. 102, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 117 of the general laws of 1876, entitled "an act to permanently provide for deficiencies in the university fund income."

Was laid aside till Tuesday morning, reconsidered, and bill indefinitely postponed.

No. 247, A.,

A bill relating to justices of the peace and constables in the city of Milwaukee, and to repeal chapter 191, of the general laws of 1876.

Was on motion of Mr. Ries indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. Pope, the rules were suspended and

No. 51, S.,

A bill to authorize the city of Janesville to issue bonds to provide and pay for engine houses in said city.

Was read a third time and passed.

No. 44, S.,

A bill to amend sections 5 and 9 of chapter 193, general laws of 1873, entitled "an act to change the management of the state prison, and to amend and consolidate all laws concerning the same."

No. 20, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the Northern Hospital for the Insane, a sum of money therein named, for the payment of current expenses, for permanent improvements, and for miscellaneous purposes.

No. 19, S.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money therein named, for the payment of pensions of soldiers' orphans, as provided in chapter 72, of the laws of 1874.

No. 16, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the Institute for the Education of the Deaf and Dumb a sum of money therein named, for the payment of current expenses, for permanent improvements and for miscellaneous purposes.

No. 17, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the Institution for the Education of the Blind a sum of money therein named, for the payment of current

expenses, for permanent improvements and for miscellaneous purposes.

No. 18, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the Industrial School for Boys, a sum of money therein named, for the payment of current expenses, for building correction house, for other permanent improvements and to pay deficiency.

Were each ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Keogh

No. 365, A.,

A bill amendatory of and supplementary to the charter of the city of Milwaukee.

No. 435, A.,

A bill to amend section 2, chapter 192, of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act in relation to justices of the peace and constables in the city of Milwaukee."

Were taken from the File, rules suspended, each read a third and passed.

On motion of Mr. Spence.

No. 176, S.,

A bill to repeal chapter 52, of the laws of Wisconsin of 1876, entitled "an act amendatory of chapter 72 of the private and local laws of 1858, relating to the city of Ripon."

On motion of Mr. Spence, the vote by which

No. 176, S.,

A bill to repeal chapter 52, of the laws of Wisconsin of 1876, entitled "an act amendatory of chapter 72, of the private and local laws of 1858, relating to the city of Ripon."

Was concurred in, was reconsidered, substitute adopted, rules suspended bill read a third time, and concurred in by Assembly.

On motion of Mr. Keogh,

The Assembly adjourned till Monday evening next, at 7:30 o'clock.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 1877.

7:30 P. M.

Assembly met,

The Speaker in the chair.

The roll was called and the following members present :

Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dale, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Truell, Vance, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—84.

Absent on leave.—Messrs. Zieman, Carmichael, Linderman, Knowlton, Vincent, Pierce. B. F. Carter, Hubbard, Blakeslee, Dailey—10.

Absent.—Messrs. Phineas Baldwin, Black, Keogh, Lindsay, Touhey, Van Waters—6.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Was granted to Messrs. Knowlton and Black, indefinitely.
To Messrs. Keogh and Touhey, until Tuesday morning.

MEMORIALS PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. Sheuber:

Mem., No. 203, A.,

Remonstrance against the passage of bill No. 287, A., relating to a dam on Rock river, near lake Koshkonong.

To General File.

The Speaker announced the appointment of George Murphy, as a

messenger of the Assembly, in place of Chas. Wright, removed for failure of duty.

COMMUNICATIONS.

STATE OF WISCONSIN, TREASURER'S OFFICE,
MADISON, February 19, 1877.

To the Honorable, the Assembly of the State of Wisconsin:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Joint Resolution No. 29, A., and would respectfully state in reply thereto:

That I have received no deposit nor any funds from J. O. Barrett or any other party, as proceeds for the exhibition of the war eagle, "Old Abe," of the 8th Wisconsin regiment, at the Centennial Exhibition at Philadelphia.

Very respectfully,
FERD KUEHN,
State Treasurer.

MADISON, February 19, 1877.

To the Honorable the Assembly, of the State of Wisconsin:

The Chief Clerk respectfully represents, that the execution of Resolution No. 37, A., as adopted at the last session, fixing the compensation of copyists by the folio, is impracticable, as a portion of the work cannot be justly or economically done in that manner.

I therefore ask that the resolution be rescinded, and that the matter be committed to this department, as provided by the statute, with such restriction as to the maximum compensation per hour, as the Assembly may see fit to direct.

W. A. NOWELL,
Chief Clerk.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Engrossed Bill have had under consideration the following bill, and report the same correctly engrossed:
No. 105, A.,

A bill to create the county of Wells, and provide for the organization of the same.

W. R. HERRON,
Chairman.

The Committee on Federal Relations have had under consideration

Jt. Res., No. 21, A.,

Thanking Senator Howe for his vote on the compromise bill,

and have returned the bill to the same body with a substitute, and recommend the passage of the substitute.

W. E. CARTER.

Resolved, That we recommend

Resolved, by the Assembly, that we recommend: That we commend the petitioners and not only all those of our fellow citizens who, believing the compromise bill to be constitutional, state-making and expedient, desired its passage or approval of its adoption; but all those who, believing it to be unconstitutional, unwise, or inexpedient, opposed its passage or disapproval of its adoption, determined nevertheless, after it was adopted, to peacefully submit to and abide by its results, whatever they might be.

Resolved. That we deeply regret to see that opposition is proposed to the completion of the counting of the electoral votes under the provisions of said act of congress, and that resistance is threatened to the peaceful inauguration of the persons who may, in pursuance of the provisions of said act, be declared elected; and we especially regret to see that such opposition or resistance is threatened or proposed by some of our fellow citizens who aided in the passage of said act or approved of its adoption.

Resolved. That the imprisonment by either house of congress, of any state officer for the non-production before such house, of any part of the archives of such state, is a gross usurpation of power not warranted by the constitution, and strikes a deadly blow at the separate existence of such state, and merits, and should receive, the severest condemnation.

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

The Select Committee consisting of the Delegation of the City of Fond du Lac, to whom was referred

No. 18, A.,

A bill to amend the city charter of the city of Fond du Lac, and to repeal chapter 474 of the private and local laws of the year 1871, and acts amendatory thereof.

Report the same back with amendments and recommend its passage when so amended.

T. W. SPENCE,
Chairman.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By A. J. TURNER, Chief Clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:—I am directed to inform you that the Senate has passed, and asks the concurrence of the Assembly in

No. 146, S.,

A bill to provide for the alteration and the discontinuance o

portions of the state road, from Black River Falls, in Jackson county, to the city of La Crosse, in La Crosse county.

No. 132, S.,

A bill to lay out and establish a state road, from the town of Hancock, Waushara county, to the town of Strong's Prairie in Adams county.

No. 129, S.,

A bill to authorize the town of Ahnapee to build and maintain a bridge across Ahnapee river.

No. 99, S.,

To amend section 1 of chapter 92, of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act for the preservation of duck and other wild fowl."

And has concurred in Assembly amendments to

No. 4, S.,

A bill to extend the time of exemption from assessment and taxation of certain lands, fixed in the act incorporating the Winnebago and Lake Superior Railroad Company, approved April 6th, 1866, and in the act incorporating the Portage and Superior Railroad Company, approved April 9th, 1866.

And returns as requested,

No. 25, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 53, general laws of 1858, entitled "an act for the formation and protection of county agricultural societies."

And has concurred in

No. 3, A.,

A bill to amend an act to incorporate the Chamber of Commerce of the city of Milwaukee, approved February 29, 1868.

No. 24, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of Joseph Mason, a justice of the peace of the county of Grant.

No. 52, A.,

A bill amendatory of and supplementary to the charter of the city of Milwaukee.

No. 67, A.,

A bill to authorize J. T. Mills, late judge of the fifth judicial circuit, to retain certain books on payment therefor.

No. 90, A.,

A bill to amend section 12, chapter 4, of chapter 337, private and local laws of 1871, entitled "an act to revise, consolidate and amend the act to incorporate the city of Prescott," and the several acts amendatory thereof.

No. 91, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 67, of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1876, entitled "an act to authorize the taking of fish in the public waters of the state, for the purpose of artificial propagation."

No. 104, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of O. B. Stevens, a justice of the peace of the county of Shawano.

No. 120, A.,

A bill relating to the powers and duties of the fish commissioners.

No. 434, A.,

A bill to amend section 2 of chapter 222, general laws of 1874, entitled "an act to amend and revise the charter of the city of Wausau."

And has refused to concur in

No. 71, A.,

A bill relating to justices' courts, and amendatory of section 47, chapter 120, of the Revised Statutes.

No. 49, A.,

A bill relating to municipal aid in the construction of railroads and to repeal section 3, chapter 289, of the laws of 1873.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Bills read a first and second time, and referred.

No. 146, S.,

To Committee on Roads and Bridges.

No. 132, S.,

To Committee on Roads and Bridges.

No. 99, S.,

To Committee on Agriculture.

No. 129, S.,

To Committee on Public Improvements.

SENATE BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

No. 44, S.,

A bill to amend sections 5 and 9 of chapter 193, general laws of 1873, entitled "an act to change the management of the state prison, and to amend and consolidate all laws concerning the same."

Was read a third time and concurred in.

No. 20, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the Northern Hospital for the Insane, a sum of money therein named, for the payment of current expenses, for permanent improvements, and for miscellaneous purposes.

Was read a third time, and concurred in by the following vote:

Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, W.E. Carter, Crockett, Dale, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W.J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Götze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson,

Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Truell, Vance, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—84.

Noes—0.

No. 18, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the Industrial School for Boys, a sum of money therein named, for the payment of current expenses, for building correction house, for other permanent improvements and to pay deficiency.

Was read a third time and concurred in by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dale, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnston, Johnson, Kast, Kelley, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Truell, Vance, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—84.

Noes—0.

No. 17, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the Institution for the Education of the Blind, a sum of money therein named, for the payment of current expenses, for permanent improvements, and for miscellaneous purposes.

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dale, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Truell, Vance, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassody—84.

Noes—0.

No. 16, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the Institute for the Education of the Deaf and Dumb, a sum of money therein named, for the payment of current expenses, for permanent improvements and for miscellaneous purposes.

Was read a third time and concurred in by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, W. E. Carter, Crock-

ett, Dale, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelley, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Truell, Vance, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassody—84.

Noes—0.

No. 19, S.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money therein named, for the payment of pensions of soldiers' orphans, as provided in chapter 72, of the laws of 1874.

Was read a third time and concurred in by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dale, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Truell, Vance, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—84.

Noes—0.

ASSEMBLY BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

No. 200, A.,

A bill relating to assessors in the city of Janesville, and amendatory of section one (1), of chapter seven (7), of chapter four hundred and seventy-four (474), of the private and local laws of Wisconsin for 1866, entitled "an act to reduce the act incorporating the city of Janesville, and the several acts amendatory thereof into one act and amend the same."

No. 96, A.,

A bill relating to the appointment of fire wardens, and amendatory of chapter 27, of the general laws of this state for the year 1874.

No. 223, A.,

A bill relating to the partition of real estate, and amendatory of chapter 142, of the Revised Statutes, relating to the partition of lands owned by several persons.

No. 201, A.

A bill relating to the election of city marshal in the city of Janesville, and amendatory of section 4, of chapter 223, of the

private and local laws of 1867, entitled "an act to amend chapter 474 of the private and local laws of 1866," and the several acts amendatory thereof.

No. 208, A.,

A bill to prohibit the employment of children under twelve years of age, in factories or other workshops in this state.

Were each read a third time and passed.

No. 207, A.,

A bill to authorize the clerks of the circuit and county courts for the county of Milwaukee, to appoint additional deputies.

Was on motion of Mr. Hyde, re-committed to the Milwaukee City Delegation.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE LAYING OVER.

No. 210, A.,

A bill to guard against the abuse of the elective franchise and to preserve the purity of elections by regulating the appointment of Inspectors of Election and requiring a registration of electors in certain cases; and to repeal chapter 445 of the laws of 1864, chapter 296 of the laws of 1865, chapter 126 of the laws of 1866, chapter 134 of the laws of 1871, chapter 232 of the laws of 1875, chapter 302 of the laws of 1876, and amendatory of certain city and village charters therein referred to.

Was, on motion of Mr. Dousman, laid over until to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Johnson,

No. 190, A.,

Was taken from General File and recommitted to Committee on Agriculture.

On motion of Mr. Truell, .

No. 406, A.,

Was taken from File and re-committed to Committee on Town and County Organization.

On motion of Mr. Spence,

No. 225, A.,

A bill relating to the bringing of actions against the city of Fond du Lac, and to amend section 42, of chapter 102, of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act to amend chapter 59, private and local laws of 1868, entitled 'an act to incorporate the city of Fond du Lac.'"

No. 18, A.,

A bill to amend the city charter of the city of Fond du Lac, and to repeal chapter 474, of the private and local laws of the year 1871, and acts amendatory thereof.

Were both taken from General File, rules suspended, each read a third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Truell,

No. 317, A.,

Was taken from File and re-committed to Select Committee composed of the Juueau County Delegation.

On motion of Mr. Hamilton,
The Assembly resolved itself into a

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

On the General File of bills,
Mr. Spence in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman reported as follows:

Mr. Speaker: The Assembly, in Committee of the Whole, has had under consideration the General File of bills, has made some progress therein, and has instructed me to report the following bills to the Assembly for its consideration, and ask leave to sit again.

No. 270, A.,

A bill to provide for laying out and establishing a State Road from Richland Center, in Richland county, Wis., to Hillsboro, in Vernon county, Wis.

No. 184, A.,

A bill relating to stationery and postage stamps for the officers and employes of the Senate and Assembly.

No. 9, A.,

A bill to fix the maximum amount of stationery, postage stamps and newspaper allowances that members of the legislature, officers and employes thereof, and others shall be entitled to receive at the expense of the state.

No. 268, A.,

A bill to amend section 8, of chapter 345, of laws of 1876, entitled "an act to codify and consolidate the laws relating to pay and mileage of members, pay of employes, and providing for newspapers, postage stamps, stationery and opening of legislature."

No. 310, A.,

A bill to facilitate the extension of Market street, and opening of Division street, in the city of Oshkosh.

No. 282, A.,

A bill to incorporate the Milwaukee Base Ball Club.

No. 117, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 83, of the private and local laws of 1875, relating to "Watertown Railroad Debt."

No. 93, S.,

A bill to legalize the proceedings of the county board of supervisors, of Trempealeau county, in fixing the salary of county officers.

No. 175, S.,

A bill to amend section 6, of chapter 46, of the private and local laws of 1860, entitled "an act to promote the construction of horse railways in the city of La Crosse."

No. 196, A.,

A bill to provide for the more careful supervision of our common jails, and for the employment of the prisoners therein, on certain conditions.

No. 287, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 144, of the general laws of 1872.

No. 313, A.,

A bill relating to elections, and amendatory of section 2 of chapter 7 of the Revised Statutes, and the several acts amendatory thereto.

No. 374, A.,

A bill concerning service of legal papers.

Jt. Res., No. 9, A.,

To amend section 3, of article 11, of the constitution.

No. 329, A.,

A bill to amend sub-section 4 of section 50 of chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes, relating to overseers of highways.

No. 309, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 267 of the general laws of 1873, entitled "an act to authorize town supervisors to lay out public highways in certain cases, and to repeal chapter 286 of the general laws of 1875," relating and amendatory to section 1 of said chapter 267 of the general laws of 1873.

No. 387, A.,

A bill relating to highways and bridges, and amendatory of section 36, chapter 152 of the laws of the State of Wisconsin for 1869.

No. 429, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the Sailors' Home of Milwaukee a sum of money therein named.

No. 379, A.,

A bill to amend "an act to incorporate the State Firemen's Association of Wisconsin."

No. 90, S.,

A bill to repeal chapter eleven (11), of chapter 59, of the laws of 1875, entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Oconomowoc."

No. 14, A.,

A bill to amend section 2, chapter 344, laws of 1876, entitled "an act to codify and consolidate all laws in relation to town insurance companies."

Each without amendment.

No. 151, A.,

A bill relating to the protection of insect-devouring birds, and amendatory of chapter 198, general laws of 1869.

No. 312, A.,

A bill to donate the cereals, and other centennial exhibits, made by the state, to the State Agricultural Society.

No. 43, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 111, of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of divorces."

Each with amendments.

No. 413, A.,

A bill relating to the catching of fish in the Pecatonica river and its tributaries in La Fayette county.

No. 97, S.,

A bill to submit to the people an amendment to article seven (7) of the constitution.

No. 418, A.,

A bill relating to the foreclosure of mortgages.

No. 402, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 77, of laws of 1876, entitled "an act relating to the second county court of Brown county," and amendatory of sections 4 and 5, of chapter 9, of laws of 1875.

Each without amendments.

No. 169, A.,

A bill in relation to the exchange of the laws, documents, and Supreme Court Reports of this state.

With amendments.

No. 106, A.,

A bill to provide for a state board of education, and for a uniformity of text-books for the use of public schools throughout the state.

No. 276, A.,

A bill to provide for the purchase of 250 copies of Webster's Dictionary.

Each without amendment.

No. 81, A.,

A bill relating to grading and turnpiking public highways.

With amendment.

No. 345, A.,

A bill to prevent the destruction of gravel roads.

Without amendments.

No. 192, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money therein named, for chaplain services in legislature of 1877.

With amendments.

No. 327, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 189, laws of 1871, entitled "an act for the organization of corporations for benevolent purposes."

Without amendments.

No. 171, A.,

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Fort Howard.

No. 72, S.,

A bill to repeal chapter 136, laws of Wisconsin of 1874, entitled "an act for the preservation of fish in Dell Creek," and all subsequent acts amendatory thereof.

No. 41, S.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 267, laws of 1873, relating to laying out highways.

Each with amendments.

No. 450, A.,

A bill in relation to service of summons in actions against telegraph companies.

No. 322, A.,

A bill relating to the size of the mesh used in trap or pound nets.

Each without amendment.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE CONSIDERED.

No. 14, A.,

A bill to amend section 2, chapter 344, laws of 1876, entitled "an act to codify and consolidate all laws in relation to town insurance companies."

The substitute was on motion of Mr. Johnson, ordered printed, and the further consideration of same postponed until printed.

No. 312, A.,

A bill to donate the cereals, and other centennial exhibits made by the State Agricultural Society.

No. 151, A.,

A bill relating to the protection of insect-devouring birds, and amendatory of chapter 198, general laws of 1869.

No. 169, A.,

A bill in relation to the exchange of the laws, documents and Supreme Court Reports of this state.

The amendments to each were adopted, and bills severally ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 171, A.,

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Fort Howard.

The amendments were adopted. Rules suspended, bill read a third time and passed.

No. 81, A.,

A bill relating to grading and turnpiking highways in this state.

Was, on motion of Mr. Hammel, laid aside till Friday next.

No. 450, A.,

A bill in relation to service of summons in actions against telegraph companies.

Was recommitted to a committee of one: (Mr. Spence.)

No. 192, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money therein named, for chaplain services in legislature of 1877.

Was recommitted to Committee on Claims.

No. 270, A.,

A bill to provide for laying out and establishing a State Road from Richland Center, in Richland county, Wis., to Hillsboro in Vernon county, Wis.

No. 276, A.,

A bill to provide for the purchase of 250 copies of Webster's Dictionary.

No. 413, A.,

A bill relating to the catching of fish in the Pecatonica river and its tributaries, in La Fayette county.

Amendments adopted to each, and severally ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 402, A.,

A bill to amend section one (1), of chapter 77, laws of 1876, entitled "an act relating to the Second county court of Brown county, and amendatory of sections four and five of chapter 9, of laws of 1875."

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 322, A.,

A bill relating to the size of the mesh used in trap or pond nets.

Was laid aside till Thursday.

No. 418, A.,

A bill relating to the foreclosure of mortgages.

No. 329, A.,

A bill to amend sub-section 4, of section 50, of chapter 18, of Revised Statutes, relating to overseers of highways.

Were each ordered engrossed and read a third time.

Nos. 41 and 43, S., were laid aside until Tuesday.

No. 97, S.,

A bill to submit to the people an amendment to article seven (7) of the constitution.

No. 72, S.,

A bill to repeal chapter 136, laws of Wisconsin of 1874, entitled "an act for the preservation of fish in Dell Creek, and all sub-acts amendatory thereof."

A bill to repeal chapter eleven (11), of chapter 59, of the laws of 1875, entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Oconomowoc."

Were each ordered to a third reading.

No. 9, A.,

A bill to fix the maximum amount of stationery, postage stamps, and newspaper allowance that members of the legislature, officers and employes thereof, and others shall be entitled to receive at the expense of the state.

Was indefinitely postponed.

No. 287, A.,

Was laid aside till Thursday next.

No. 117, A.,

Was laid aside till Wednesday next.

No. 429, A.,

Was ordered printed, and referred to Committee on Claims.

No. 327, A.,

Was referred to a committee of one: (Mr. Speaker.)

No. 310, A.,

A bill to facilitate the extension of Market street, and opening of Division street, in the city of Oshkosh.

No. 268, A.,

A bill to amend section 8, of chapter 345, of laws of 1876, entitled "an act to codify and consolidate the laws relating to pay and mileage of members, pay of employes, and providing for newspapers, postage stamps, stationery, and opening of legislature."

No. 184, A.,

A bill relating to stationery and postage stamps for the officers and employes of the Senate and Assembly.

No. 387, A.,

A bill relating to highways and bridges, and amendatory of section 36, chapter 152 of the laws of the State of Wisconsin for 1869.

We recommend its indefinite postponement.

No. 196, A.,

A bill to provide for the more careful supervision of our common jails, and for the employment of the prisoners therein on certain conditions.

No. 313, A.,

A bill relating to elections, and amendatory of section 2 of chapter 7 of the Revised Statutes, and the several acts amendatory thereto.

No. 309, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 267, of the general laws of 1873, entitled "an act to authorize town supervisors to lay out public highways in certain cases, and to repeal chapter 286, of the general laws of 1875, relating and amendatory to section 1, of said chapter 267, of the general laws of 1873.

No. 93, S.,

A bill to legalize the proceedings of the county board of supervisors of Trempealeau county, in fixing the salary of county officers.

No. 175, S.,

A bill to amend section 6, of chapter 46, of the private and local laws of 1860, entitled "an act to promote the construction of horse railways in the city of La Crosse."

Jt. Res., No. 9, A.,

To amend section 3, of article 11, of the constitution.

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A bill to incorporate the Milwaukee Base Ball Club.

No. 327, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 189, laws of 1871, entitled "an act for the organization of corporations for benevolent purposes."

No. 345, A.,

A bill to prevent the destruction of graveled roads.

No. 106, A.,

A bill to provide for a state board of education, and for a uniformity of text-books for the use of public schools throughout the state.

Were each indefinitely postponed.

By unanimous consent, the Committee on Engrossed Bills report:

The Committee on Engrossed Bills have examined and find correctly engrossed

No. 2, A.,

A bill relating to hawkers and pedlars, and amendatory of chap-

ter 72, of the laws of 1870, as amended by chapter 395 of the laws of 1876.

W. H. HERRON,
Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Sylvester,
The Assembly adjourned.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1877.

Assembly met,

The Speaker in the chair.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Hays.

The roll was called and the following members present:

Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—95.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Knowlton and Black—2.

Absent—Messrs. Leavens, Touhey, Van Waters—3.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Was granted to Mr. Leavens for one hour.

To Mr. Van Waters till this evening.

To Mr. Touhey till Wednesday morning.

MEMORIALS PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. Arnold:

Mem. No. 203, A.,

Remonstrance of Luke Scanlon and 240 others, against the passage of bill 300, A., declaring a certain portion of Spring street

road, in the town of Wauwatosa, a county highway, and providing for the improvement thereof.

To Milwaukee Delegation.

By Mr. Arnold:

No. 204, A.,

Remonstrance of J. M. J. Egan and 49 others, against the passage of No. 300, A.

To Milwaukee Delegation.

By Mr. Grover:

Mem. No. 205, A.,

Remonstrance of D. W. Smith and 43 others, against the passage of the bill exempting the lands of the North Wisconsin Railroad from taxation.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Grover:

Mem. No. 206, A.,

Remonstrance of A. W. Sylvester and fifty-two others, against the exemption of the North Wisconsin Railroad lands.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Grover:

Mem. No. 207, A.,

Remonstrance of W. H. Skinner and thirty-three others against the exemption of the North Wisconsin Railroad lands.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Grover:

Mem. No. 208, A.,

Remonstrance of H. P. Davis and twenty-seven others, against the exemption of the lands of the North Wisconsin Railroad from taxation.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Grover:

Mem. No. 209, A.,

Remonstrance of Thos. P. Holbruck and twelve others against the exemption of the North Wisconsin Railroad lands.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Hull:

Mem. No. 210, A.,

Remonstrating against bill No. 275, A.

To Milwaukee County Delegation.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Bock:

Res. No. 41, A.,

Resolved, That the chief clerk be and he is hereby authorized to employ the necessary copyists at the the lowest rates of compensation consistent with a proper execution of the work: such compen-

sation not to exceed fifty cents per hour, the time actually employed.

Resolution No. 37 A., is hereby rescinded.
Adopted.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED.

Substitute for Jt. Res. No. 21, A.

Thanking Senator Howe for his vote on the compromise bill.

Mr. Hubbard moved that the further consideration of the resolution be postponed until this evening, for the purpose of allowing the minority of the Committee on Federal Relations to prepare a report to submit to the Assembly.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The committee on enrolled bills have examined and find correctly enrolled the following bills and memorials:

No. 133, A.,

A bill to regulate the times of holding the circuit court in Portage county.

M. C. No. 2, A.,

Memorial to Congress for the extension of a mail route from the town of Stettin, in Marathon county, Wis., to the town of Rib Falls, in said county.

M. C. No. 5, A.,

Memorial to Congress for the establishment of a mail route from Barron, the county seat of Barron county, Wisconsin, to the village of Sand Creek, in Dunn county, Wisconsin, via Morney's Mill, Sylvan Springs and Sioux Creek.

M. C. No. 10, A.,

Memorial to Congress for the enactment of laws for the improvement of the condition of the Oneida Tribe of Indians, located on the reservation in the counties of Brown and Outagamie, and in the interest of civilization and humanity.

JOHN J. SENN,
Chairman.

The Committee on Militia have had under consideration the following bill:

No. 166, A.,

A bill for the better organization of the militia of the State of Wisconsin.

And report the same back with a substitute, and recommend the passage of the bill by substitute.

FLORIAN J. REIS,
Chairman.

The Committee on Roads and Bridges have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows:

No. 333, A.,

A bill to authorize the county board of supervisors of the county of Clark to levy and collect a tax for the purpose of building a road in Clark county, Wisconsin.

With an amendment and recommend its passage when so amended.

S. J. SEYMOUR,
Chairman.

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

The Committee consisting of the Milwaukee Delegation, to whom was referred

No. 300, A.,

A bill declaring certain portions of Spring street road in the town of Wauwatosa, a county highway, and providing for the improvement thereof.

Have had the same under consideration, and report the same back with sundry amendments, and passage recommended when so amended.

ED. KEOGH,
Chairman.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By A. J. TURNER, Chief Clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:—I am directed to inform you the Senate has passed and asks the concurrence of the Assembly in

No. 145, S.,

A bill to authorize the commissioners of school and university lands to loan a portion of its trust funds to the town of Pine Valley, in the county of Clark.

No. 131, S.,

A bill to authorize the town of Necedah, in the county of Juneau, to appropriate a certain sum of money in aid of the construction of the Necedah and Camp Douglas Railroad.

No. 151, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 244, of the private and local laws of 1867, entitled "an act to incorporate the village of Trempealeau."

No. 210, S.,

A bill concerning town boards of review. .

No. 10, S.,

A bill relating to apportioning the bonded indebtedness of the town of Jefferson, Jefferson county, and amendatory of section 2 of chapter 12, laws of 1874.

No. 133, S.,

A bill to amend section 2, chapter 71, general laws of 1858, entitled "an act for the keeping of insane persons."

Jt. Res. No. 5, S.,

Ratifying and agreeing to Joint Resolution No. 7, adopted by the legislature of 1876, proposing an amendment to section 2, article VIII., of the constitution of this state.

And has concurred in

No. 87, A.,

A bill relating to the geological survey of the State of Wisconsin, and amendatory of chapter 292 of the general laws of 1873, entitled "an act to provide for a complete geological survey of Wisconsin, and to repeal chapter 137 of the general laws of 1870, entitled 'an act to provide for a survey of the lead districts, making maps and collecting statistics from the same,' and chapter 136 of the general laws of 1872, amendatory thereof."

No. 241, S.,

A bill to authorize the city of Appleton to issue corporate bonds for bridge purposes.

No. 167, S.,

A bill relating to towns and town officers, and amendatory of section 87 of chapter 15 of the Revised Statutes.

No. 159, S.,

A bill to provide for the competency of married women as witnesses.

No. 74, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the Northern Hospital for the Insane a sum of money, for the purchase of an engine and boiler, and to place cast iron radiators under the north wing of said hospital.

No. 238, S.,

A bill to authorize the state treasurer to retain certain moneys belonging to Taylor county, and to pay the same over to the county of Lincoln.

No. 190, S.,

A bill to amend sections 6 and 8, chapter 93 of the general laws of 1870, entitled "an act for the improvement and raising of stock."

No. 13, A.,

A bill to establish the school district of the city of Shawano, and to fix its boundaries.

No. 19, A.,

A bill to legalize the proceedings of school district No. 1, town of El Paso, county of Pierce.

No. 80, A.,

A bill relating to authorizing the commissioners of school and university lands to loan a portion of the trust funds of the state to the county of Racine, and amendatory of chapter 107, of the general laws of 1876.

No. 146, A.,

A bill to provide for an abstract of tax titles in the county of Waushara, and amendatory of chapter 123, of the private and local laws of 1867.

No. 187, A.,

A bill to legalize the official acts of Edward F. Carpenter, as notary public for Rock county.

No. 252, S.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money therein named to A. E. Elmore and others, for services rendered under Jt. Res. No. 13, session of 1876.

No. 36, S.,

A bill to amend sections 5 and 8, of chapter 153, of the laws of 1876, relating to the corporation of fire departments in unincorporated villages.

No. 102, S.,

A bill to amend and add to an act entitled "an act to consolidate chapter 49, of the private and local laws of 1855," entitled 'an act to incorporate the village of Madison into a separate school district,' and all acts amendatory thereof," being chapter 203, of the private and local laws of 1867.

No. 48, S.,

A bill to authorize the commissioners of school and university lands to loan a portion of the trust funds of the state to school district No. 7, town of Baraboo, county of Sauk.

No. 172, S.,

A bill limiting the term of imprisonment of persons committed to jail for non-payment of fines.

No. 206, S.,

A bill authorizing and requiring the Farm Mortgage Land Commissioners, appointed under chapter 446, of the private and local laws of 1868, to extend the benefits of said act to certain other parties equitably entitled thereto.

No. 30, S.,

A bill to amend section 16, of chapter 130, of the general laws of 1868, entitled "an act to provide for the assessment of property for taxation and the levy of taxes thereon."

And has concurred in the Assembly amendment to

No. 176, S.,

A bill to repeal chapter 52, of the laws of Wisconsin of 1876, entitled "an act amendatory of chapter 72, of the private and local laws of 1858, relating to the city of Ripon."

And has concurred in

No. 149, A.,

A bill to appropriate to George B. Smith and William F. Vilas a sum of money therein named.

No. 173, A.,

A bill to incorporate the city of Chilton.

Were ordered to a third reading.

The amendments to

No. 72, A.,

A bill relating to liens for labor upon logs and timber in Chippewa county, and amendatory of section 1 of chapter 372 of the general laws of 1876, entitled "an act to amend sections 1 and 12 of chapter 186 of the general laws of 1861," and also to repeal chapter 161 of the general laws of 1874, entitled "an act to amend chapter 186 of general laws of 1861."

And has amended and concurred in as amended

No. 142, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 220 of the laws of Wisconsin, approved March 9, 1876, entitled "an act to improve the south branch of the Eau Claire river and its tributaries in Clark county."

No. 144, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 219 of the laws of Wisconsin, approved March 9, 1876, entitled "an act to improve the north branch of the Eau Claire river in the county of Clark."

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Read first and second times and referred.

No. 241, S.,

To Committee on Judiciary.

No. 167, S.,

To Committee on Town and County Organization.

No. 159, S.,

To Committee on Judiciary.

No. 74, S.,

To General File.

No. 238, S.,

To Committee on State Affairs.

No. 190, S.,

To Committee on Agriculture.

No. 145, S.,

To Committee on Judiciary.

No. 131, S.,

To Committee on Railroads.

No. 151, S.,

No. 210, S.,

No. 110, S.,

No. 133, S.,

Jt. Res. No. 5, S.,

Each to the Judiciary Committee.

On motion of Mr. Pope,

Nos. 142 and 144, A.,

Were taken up. The Senate amendments to each, were concurred in by the Assembly.

On motion of Mr. Ries, substitute for

No. 166, A.,

Was ordered printed.

On motion of Mr. Seymour, the amendment to

No. 333, A.,

Was ordered printed.

On motion of Mr. Hubbard,

- No. 445, A.,
Together with the substitute, was re-committed to the Committee on Roads and Bridges, and not to be printed.
On motion of Mr. Carmichael,
No. 331, A.,
Was withdrawn from the Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, and re-committed to the Committee on Education.
On motion of Mr. Vincent,
No. 350, A.,
A bill relating to the license fund received by the city of Chipewewa Falls.
Was taken from the file, rules suspended, read a third time and passed.
On motion of Mr. Dixon,
No. 123, A.,
A bill to incorporate the city of New London was taken from the file, rules suspended, read a third time and passed.
Mr. Fink moved to reconsider the vote by which
No. 268, A.,
Was indefinitely postponed yesterday, which was lost.
On motion of Mr. Arnold,
No. 300, A.,
And the remonstrance accompanying it, was taken from the File, and re-committed to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.
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SENATE BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

- No. 97, S.,
A bill to submit to the people an amendment to article seven (7) of the constitution.
No. 72, S.,
A bill to repeal chapter 136, laws of Wisconsin of 1874, entitled "an act for the preservation of fish in Dell Creek," and all subsequent acts thereof.
No. 90, S.,
A bill to repeal chapter eleven (11), of chapter 59, of the laws of 1875, entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Oconomowoc."
Were each read a third time and concurred in by the Assembly.
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ASSEMBLY BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

- No. 2, A.,
A bill relating to hawkers and peddlers, and amendatory of section 3, of chapter 395, of the laws of 1876.
Being a substitute for No. 2, A., and No. 20, A.,
Was, on motion of Mr. Johnson, re-committed to the Committee on Judiciary.

No. 105, A.,

A bill to create the county of Wells, and provide for the organization of the same.

Mr. Hubbard moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

Upon which the ayes and noes were ordered and the motion lost by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Bock, Burnett, Carmichael, Dorwin, Doxtader, Gray, Grover, Götze, Hammel, Hubbard, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Lindsay, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, Merrill, Senn, Stapleton, Tisch, Thornton, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Wedig—27.

Noes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Blakeslee, Brooks, Brost, Cash, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Greening, Hamilton, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kelly, Leavens, Linderman, McCarty, Mitchell, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Phillips, Pope, Rics, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Sylvester, Truell, Vance, Walker, Wannemaker, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—66.

No. 105, A.,

Was read a third time and passed.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE LAYING OVER, CONSIDERED.

No. 186, A.,

A bill relating to the mining of iron ore, etc., and to the assessment for taxation of real property containing iron ore.

No. 210, A.,

A bill to guard against the abuse of the elective franchise and to preserve the purity of elections by regulating the appointment of Inspectors of Election and requiring a registration of electors in certain cases; to repeal chapter 445 of the laws of 1864, chapter 290 of the laws of 1865, chapter 126 of the laws of 1866, chapter 131 of the laws of 1871, chapter 232 of the laws of 1875, chapter 302 of the laws of 1876, and amendatory of certain city and village charters therein reserred to.

Were each ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 41, S.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 267, laws of 1873, relating to laying out highways.

Was indefinitely postponed.

No. 43, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 111, of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of divorces."

Was, on motion of Mr. Spence, made the special order for Wednesday next, at 11 A. M.

On motion of Mr. Dousman,
No. 98, A.,
Was recommitted to Committee on Claims.

On motion of Mr. Bailey,
The Assembly resolved itself into a

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

On the General File of Bills,
Mr. Flanders in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman reported as follows:

Mr. SPEAKER: The Assembly in Committee of the Whole has had under consideration the General File of Bills, has made some progress therein, and has instructed me to report the following bills to the Assembly for its consideration, and ask leave to sit again:

No. 343, A.,

A bill relating to the State Historical Society.

No. 321, A.,

A bill to change the time for holding the general terms of the circuit court of Walworth county.

No. 344, A.,

A bill relating to deposits of married women, trustees and minors in savings banks.

No. 443, A.,

A bill to amend section 3, of chapter 121, of the laws of 1868, as amended by chapter 54 of the laws of 1871.

No. 417, A.,

A bill relating to the Supreme Court, and amendatory of chapter 284, of the laws of 1876.

No. 211, A.,

A bill relating to issues, mode of trial and judgment in civil actions, and to amend section 37, of chapter 132, of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of issues, mode of trial and judgment in civil cases."

No. 388, A.,

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the town of Marietta, Crawford county.

No. 73, A.,

A bill relating to the preservation of game, and amendatory of section 1, of chapter 121, of the laws of 1874.

No. 158, A.,

A bill for the preservation of fish in the waters of Rock river and Hustisford mill pond, Dodge county.

No. 384, A.,

A bill to amend section 2, of chapter 329, of the laws of 1874, entitled "an act for the preservation of game in the State of Wisconsin."

No. 316, A.,

A bill to divide the county of Oconto, and create the county of Sawyer.

Each without amendments.

No. 136, A.,

A bill relating to the invention and successful use of steam and other mechanical agents on highways, and amendatory of chapter 104 of the laws of 1875, as amended by chapter 134 of the laws of 1875, as amended by chapter 182 of the laws of 1876.

No. 155, A.,

A bill relating to evidence.

No. 346, A.,

A bill entitled "an act to provide for the payment of the actual indebtedness of the late town of Eaton, in Monroe county."

No. 63, A.,

A bill relating to attorneys' fees in justice courts, and amendatory of section 1 of chapter 96 of the laws of 1876.

No. 160, A.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 195 of the laws of 1874.

No. 89, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 404 of the laws of 1876, relating to county and county officers.

Each with amendments.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE CONSIDERED.

No. 136, A.,

A bill relating to the invention and successful use of steam and other mechanical agents on highways, and amendatory of chapter 104, of the laws of 1875, as amended by chapter 134, of the laws of 1875, as amended by chapter 182, of the laws of 1876.

Was on motion of Mr. Brooks, made the special order for Wednesday next, at 11:30 A. M.

No. 155, A.,

A bill relating to evidence.

No. 346, A.,

A bill entitled "an act to provide for the payment of the actual indebtedness of the late town of Eaton, in Monroe county."

The amendments to each were adopted, and each ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 63, A.,

A bill relating to attorneys' fees in justice courts, and amendatory of section one, of chapter 96, of the laws of 1876.

Was on motion of Mr. Sylvester, laid aside till to-morrow.

No. 160, A.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 195, of the laws of 1874.

No 89, A.,

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No. 73, A.,

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No. 384, A.,

A bill to amend section 2, of chapter 329, of the laws of 1874, entitled "an act for the preservation of game in the State of Wisconsin."

Were severally ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 158, A.,

A bill for the preservation of fish in the waters of Rock river and Hustisford mill pond, Dodge county.

The amendments to which were adopted, bill ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 316, A.,

A bill to divide the county of Oconto and to create the county of Sawyer.

Was indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. Luchsinger,

The Assembly adjourned until 7:30 this evening.

7:30 P. M.

Assembly met,

The Speaker in the chair.

The roll was called and the following members present :

Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—95.

Absent on leave—Mr. Black—1.

Absent—Messrs. Gray, Innis, McCollum, Pierce—4.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Was granted to Messrs. Gray, Dailey, and Innis, until Wednesday morning.

MEMORIALS PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. Scheuber:

Mem. No. 211, A.,

Remonstrance against the passage of bill No. 287, A., and No. 113, S., for the improvement of water powers in Rock river.

To General File.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows :

No. 395, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Milwaukee Industrial School \$1,000.

No. 396, A.,

A bill to appropriate to St. Rose Orphan Asylum in Milwaukee, \$1,000.

No. 397, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the Home of the Friendless, Milwaukee, \$1,000.

No. 398, A.,
A bill to appropriate to St. Amelianus Orphan Asylum in Milwaukee, \$1,000.

No. 399, A.,
A bill to appropriate to St. Joseph Orphan Asylum, Milwaukee, \$1,000.

No. 400, A.,
A bill to appropriate to Orphan Association, Milwaukee, \$1,000.

No. 401, A.,
A bill to appropriate to St. John's Home, Milwaukee, \$500.

No. 404, A.,
A bill to appropriate to St. Nazian's Society, Manitowoc. \$500.

No. 415, A.,
A bill to appropriate to Cadle Home, Green Bay, \$500.

Mem. No. 102, A.,
Concerning Sailors' Home, Milwaukee.
Without recommendation.

No. 103, A.,
A bill providing for the improvement of the vagrant, dependent and vicious children and youths of the state.

With amendment, and recommend the passage of the same when so amended.

No. 240, A.,
A bill to prohibit the holding of elections in buildings where spirituous liquors are sold.

No. 447, A.,
A bill to appropriate to the Free Religious Association of Milwaukee, \$1,000.

No. 419, A.,
A bill to appropriate a sum of money therein named.
And recommend that the same be indefinitely postponed,

No. 405, A.,
A bill to amend chapter 176, of the laws of 1872, entitled "an act to provide for the government of the Wisconsin Hospital for the Insane," approved April 1, 1872.

And recommend the same to be indefinitely postponed.

S. T. MERRILL,
Chairman.

The Committee on State Affairs have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows:

Jt. Res. No. 27, A.,

Authorizing the state treasurer to refund to the Mineral Point railroad the amount paid in 1876, by said company in excess of the license fees required by law.

And recommend its passage.

No. 324, A.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 227 of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act to provide for the recording of the lands of the Wisconsin Railroad Farm Mortgage Land Company, in the register's office of the several counties in which such lands are situated."

And report the same back with an amendment, and passage recommended when so amended.

No. 357, A.,

A bill relating to protection of the capitol and the capitol park in the city of Madison, and amendatory of section 3 of chapter 117, of the laws of 1870.

And recommend its passage.

No. 421, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 26, of the general laws of 1871, relating to towns and town officers.

And recommend that the same be indefinitely postponed.

No. 292, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 96, general laws of 1876.

And recommend that the same be indefinitely postponed.

PHINEAS BALDWIN,

Chairman.

The Committee on Legislative Expenditures have had under consideration

No. 100, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the superintendent of public property a sum of money therein named, for the use of the state.

And recommend that said bill be concurred in.

JOSEPH BOCK,

Chairman.

The Committee on Railroads have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows:

No. 280, A.,

A bill relating to the votes of stock and bondholders of railroad corporations, and repealing section 2 of chapter 335 of laws of 1869.

That inasmuch as we are not satisfied that a majority, or any considerable number, of the stockholders of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway Company ask or desire the passage of this bill, we recommend its indefinite postponement.

No. 281, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 119 of the general laws of the year 1872.

Report by substitute, and recommend the passage of the substitute.

No. 414, A.,

A bill relating to railroads, and amendatory of section 7, chapter 57, of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1876.

With an amendment, and recommend its passage when so amended.

W. J. FISK,

Chairman.

The Committee on Judiciary have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows:

No. 160, S.,

A bill to authorize the trustees, managers and directors of state charitable, penal or benevolent institutions, to require their treasurer or other person having money or property of said institutions in their possession, to give bonds.

No. 108, S.,

A bill to fix the times for holding the terms of the circuit court in the county of Kenosha.

No. 125, S.,

A bill relating to assaults with intent to do great bodily harm, and to prescribe the punishment therefor.

With recommendation that each of said bills be concurred in.

No. 145, S.,

A bill to authorize the commissioners of school and university lands to loan a portion of its trust funds to the town of Pine Valley, in the county of Clark, Wisconsin.

With amendments, and passage recommended when so amended.

No. 426, A.,

A bill in relation to the support of paupers, and to confer certain powers on the officers therein named.

No. 111, S.,

A bill to amend section 15, of chapter 133, of the Revised Statutes, relating to witness fees in courts of record.

Each of said bills without recommendation.

No. 126, S.,

A bill relating to court commissioners, their appointment, power and duties, and amendatory of section 94 of chapter 13 of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of counties and county officers," and the several acts amendatory thereof.

No. 73, S.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 105, of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of the conveyance of real estate by executors and administrators in certain cases."

No. 342, A.,

An act in relation to trusts for charitable purposes.

No. 151, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 244, of the private and local laws of 1867, entitled "an act to incorporate the village of Trempealeau."

No. 159, S.,

A bill to provide for the competency of married women as witnesses.

With a recommendation that each of said bills be indefinitely postponed.

CARL C. POPE,
Chairman.

The Committee on Agriculture have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows:

No. 86, S.,

A bill for the preservation of fish in lakes Winnebago, Butte des Morts, Winneconne, Poygan, and Little Lake Butte des Morts, and in the waters of Fox river, between Little Lake Butte des Morts and the mouth of Wolf river, and lake Winneconne.

No. 271, A,

And recommend that the same be concurred in.

A bill for the preservation of fish in Waukesha county.

With amendment, and recommend its passage when so amended.

W. T. BROOKS,
Chairman.

The Committee on Public Improvements have had under consideration

No. 59, S.,

A bill to amend section 22 of chapter 144 of the general laws of 1872, relating to the organization of corporations for manufacturing and other purposes.

And report the same back with amendment and recommend that the same do pass when so amended.

SAMUEL BLACK,
Chairman.

The Committee on Roads and Bridges have had under consideration the following bills and report the same back as follows :

No. 175, A.,

A bill relating to overseers of highways, and highway taxes, and the manner of expending such taxes.

And recommend its passages.

No. 334, A.,

A bill to authorize John T. Kingston, John Smart, Wm. Wook and their associates to build and maintain a bridge across the Wisconsin river, and authorizing certain towns to grant aid therefor.

With amendments, and recommend its passage when so amended.

S. J. SEYMOUR,
Chairman.

The Joint Committee on Claims have had under consideration

No. 98, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the fish commissioners a certain sum of money.

And report said bill back with an amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass when so amended.

No. 180, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money to the governor for the benefit of the state library.

And recommend that the said bill do pass.

JNO. LUCHSINGER,
Chairman.

The Committee on Education have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows:

No. 184, S.,

A bill to amend an act entitled "an act to organize a union school district in the village and town of Monroe, in the county of Green."

And recommend that it be concurred in.

No. 432, A.,

A bill relating to school district treasurer.

And recommend that it be indefinitely postponed.

No. 352, A.,

A bill relating to the election of county superintendents of schools.

Without recommendation.

No. 383, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 315, general laws of 1875, entitled "an act to provide for uniformity and free use of text-books in towns and cities."

Indefinite postponement recommended by a majority of the committee, the chairman alone dissenting.

ELIHU BAILEY,
Chairman.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same correctly engrossed.

No. 121, A.,

A bill relating to the distraining of cattle doing damage, and amendatory of section 1, of chapter 41, of the Revised Statutes.

No. 453, A.,

A bill to provide for the appointment of five commissioners, who shall furnish to the next legislature certain information, and who shall report to said legislature a bill to re-district the state into judicial circuits, equalizing the labors of the judges thereof, and determining the salaries of said judges.

No. 249, A.,

A bill relating to the board of equalization of the city of Manitowoc, and amendatory of section 4, chapter 275, private and local laws of 1870, entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Manitowoc."

M. C. No. 8, A.,

Memorial to Congress for the establishment of a mail route from

Friendship, in the county of Adams, to Liberty Bluff, in the county of Marquette.

Jt. Res., No. 20, A.,

Relating to an amendment to the constitution of the United States.

No. 273, A.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 253 of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act to provide for the support of the poor of Milwaukee county."

Jt. Res. No. 29, A.,

For amending the constitution and relating to suffrage.

No. 70, A.,

A bill relating to the liabilities of counties in certain cases, and amendatory of section 1 of chapter 35 of the laws of 1860.

No. 227, A.,

A bill relating to costs and fees, and amendatory of section 33 of chapter 133 of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of costs and fees."

No. 210, A.,

A bill to guard against the abuse of the elective franchise, and to preserve the purity of elections by regulating the appointment of inspectors of elections, and requiring a registration of electors, in certain cases, and to repeal chapter 445, of the laws of 1864, chapter 296, of the laws of 1865, chapter 126, of the laws of 1866, chapter 134, of the laws of 1871, chapter 232, of the laws of 1875, chapter 302, of the laws of 1876, and amendatory of certain city and village charters therein referred to.

W. R. HERRON,
Chairman.

The minority of the Committee on Federal Relations, to whom was referred

Jt. Res. No. 21, A.,

Beg leave to dissent from the majority of said committee for the following reasons, to-wit: The original resolution simply thanks Senator Howe for the course taken by him in relation to the electoral count bill, and the substitute reported by the majority does not mention the name of Senator Howe, and directly censures the House of Representatives for imprisoning a refractory witness. And as said report is in direct violation of rule (29) twenty-nine of the House, and of Jt. rule No. fifteen (15) of the Senate and Assembly, and as the minority of the committee believe it is not beneficial to the peace and quietude of the country to further agitate this subject at this time, therefore they would recommend the indefinite postponement of the original resolution and substitute. All of which is respectfully reported.

S. D. HUBBARD.

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

The Select Committee, comprising the Winnebago County Delegation, have had under consideration the following bill, and report the same back with an amendment.

Mo. 362, A.,

A bill to fix the terms of the circuit court of Winnebago county.

And recommend the passage of said bill when so amended.

T. WALL,

Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Pope,

No. 383, A.,

Was taken from the General File and re-committed to Select Committee of five, comprising of the following gentlemen : Messrs. Leavens, Kelly, Flanders, Sylvester, and Hammel.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Read first and second times and referred.

No. 30, S.,

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

No. 206, S.,

To Committee on Judiciary.

No. 172, S.,

To Committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

No. 48, S.,

To Judiciary Committee.

No. 102, S.,

To Committee on Incorporations.

No. 36, S.,

To Committee on Incorporations.

No. 252, S.,

To General File.

On motion of Mr. Hubbard,

Jt. Res. No. 21, A., and the substitute resolutions therefor reported by the majority of the Committee on Federal Relations, were taken up.

Mr. Hammel moved that the resolutions be tabled,

Which was lost by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Arnold, Bailey, Blakeslee, Brost, Burnett, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dorwin, H. J. Fisk, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Hubbard, Johnson, Keogh, Kinzie, Marx, McCarty, Merrill, Mohr, Neuhauser, Phillips, Ringle, Roche, Senn, Scheuber, Stapleton,

Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Wannemaker, Wedig, Wright, Zeiman—42.

Noes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, Brooks, Cash, W. E. Carter, Dale, Deland, Dixon, Duxtader, Dousman, Fink, W. J. Fisk, Field, Greening, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnston, Kelly, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Mitchell, Nelson, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Pope, Ries, Rice, Sarnow, Seymour, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Sylvester, Truell, Vance, Walker, Weeks, Wyatt, Mr. Speaker Cassody—52.

Mr. Hubbard moved that the resolutions and substitute be indefinitely postponed, which was lost by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Arnold, Bailey, Blakeslee, Brost, Burnett, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, H. J. Fisk, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Hubbard, Johnson, Keogh, Kinzie, Marx, McCarty, Mohr, Neuhauser, Ringle, Roche, Scheuber, Stapleton, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Wannemaker, Wedig, Wright, Zeiman—38.

Noes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, Brooks, Cash, W. E. Carter, Dale, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Fink, W. J. Fisk, Field, Greening, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Sylvester, Truell, Vance, Walker, Weeks, Wyatt, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—56.

Mr. Hubbard moved that the further consideration of the resolutions be postponed until the 5th day of March next, which was lost by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Arnold, Bailey, Blakeslee, Burnett, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, H. J. Fisk, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Hubbard, Johnson, Keogh, Kinzie, Marx, McCarty, Mohr, Neuhauser, Phillips, Ringle, Roche, Scheuber, Stapleton, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Wannemaker, Wedig, Wright, Zeiman—38.

Noes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Cash, W. E. Carter, Dale, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Fink, W. J. Fisk, Field, Greening, Grover, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Pope, Ries, Rice, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Sylvester, Truell, Vance, Walker, Weeks, Wyatt, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—57.

Mr. Hubbard arose to a point of order, based upon Assembly rule No. 29, and joint rule No. 15, which was that the substitute resolutions, reported by the majority of the Committee on Federal Relations, was a different subject matter entirely from the original resolution, and therefore, under the rules referred to, could not be allowed as a substitute.

The Speaker ruled that the point of order was not well taken.;
Mr. Hubbard appealed from the decision of the Speaker.

The question now being, shall the decision of the Speaker stand as the judgment of the Assembly, which was sustained by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, Brooks, Burnett, Cash, W. E. Carter, Dale, Deland, Dixon, Darwin, Doxtader, Dousman, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Greening, Grover, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Sylvester, Truell, Vance, Walker, Weeks, Wyatt, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—60.

Noes—Messrs. Arnold, Blakeslee, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Earnest, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Hubbard, Johnson, Keogh, Kinzie, Marx, McCarty, Mohr, Ringle, Roche, Scheuber, Stapleton, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Wannemaker, Wedig, Wright, Zeiman—32.

Mr. Fink moved the previous question, pending which

Mr. Mohr, moved that the Assembly do now adjourn.
Lost.

The previous question having been seconded, the main question was ordered by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, W. E. Carter, Dale, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Flanders, Greening, Grover, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Sylvester, Truell, Vance, Van Waters, Walker, Wannemaker, Weeks, Wyatt, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—67.

Noes—B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Earnest, Fitzgerald, Flinn, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Hubbard, Keogh, Kinzie, Mohr, Neuhauser, Roche, Stapleton, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Vincent, Wall, Wright, Zeiman—23.

The question being upon the adoption of the several resolutions reported by the Committee on Federal Relations, they were severally adopted.

Jt. Res. No. 21, A.,

Adopted as amended.

Mr. Pope moved that the vote just had by which Jt. Res. No. 21, A., was adopted, be reconsidered and the motion laid upon the table.

Carried.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE CON-
SIDERED.

No. 202, A.,

A bill to provide for the support of married women and their minor children and for the custody of minor children by their mothers in certain cases.

Was indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. Bailey,
The Assembly resolved itself into a

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

On the General File of Bills,

Mr. Kelly in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman reported as follows :

Mr. SPEAKER: The Assembly, in Committee of the Whole, has had under consideration the General File of Bills, has gone through with the same, and has instructed me to report the following bills to the Assembly for its consideration :

No. 130, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 110 of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act in relation to the organization of towns.

No. 430. A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money therein named.

No. 109, A.,

A bill relating to the invention and encouragement of steam or other mechanical agents on highways, and amendatory of section one of chapter 134 of the laws of 1875, as amended by section one of chapter 182, of the laws of 1876.

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A bill relating to the construction of drains in certain cases, and amendatory of section 1, chapter 141 of general laws of 1873.

No. 436, A.,

A bill providing for the letting of the official printing of Milwaukee county.

No. 448, A.,

A bill to appropriate certain sums of money to each subordinate grange in the state of Wisconsin.

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A bill to appropriate to the Zion's Society of the county of Sauk a sum of money therein named.

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A bill to appropriate to the Winnebago County Agricultural Society, a sum of money therein named.

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- No. 332, A.,
A bill relating to the publication of legal notices.
- No. 296, A.,
A bill relating to court commissioners and notaries public.
- No. 422, A.,
A bill to amend chapter 47, of the general laws of 1871, entitled
“an act to amend chapter 107, of the private and local laws of
1867, entitled ‘an act to authorize the appointment of phono-
graphic reporters in the circuit court of the counties of Milwaukee
and Kenosha.’”
- No. 116, A.,
Relating to exchanging bonds in the city of Watertown and
amendatory of section 1, of chapter 72, of the private and local
laws of 1870.
- No. 185, A.,
A bill to fix the compensation of the county judge of Milwau-
kee, to fix the fees of register of deeds of the county of Milwau-
kee, for the registration of marriages, births and deaths.
- No. 100, A.,
A bill to amend section 9, of chapter 3, of chapter 184, of the
laws of 1874, entitled “an act to consolidate, revise and amend the
charter of the city of Milwaukee, approved February 20, 1852,
and the several acts amendatory thereof.”
- No. 269, A.,
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A bill to authorize the commissioners of school and university
lands to loan a portion of the trust funds of the state to the city of
Neenah.
- Jt. Res. No. 18,
Proposing an amendment to section one, article 3, of the consti-
tution of this state.
- No. 122, A.,
A bill to enforce the attendance of children at the public schools.
- No. 302, A.,
A bill to repeal section 39, of chapter 157, of general laws of Wis-

consin for 1869, entitled "an act to codify the laws relating to normal schools, and to amend chapter 94, of general laws of 1859, and chapter 116, general laws of 1866."

No. 252, A.,

A bill to levy a state tax for the better support of public schools and to provide for the distribution thereof.

No. 250, A.,

A bill relating to drainage in the city of Manitowoc, and amendatory of section 7, of chapter 228, of the laws of Wisconsin for 1875.

No. 286, A.,

A bill relating to the capital of fire and life insurance companies of other states and of foreign governments, desiring to transact business in this state.

No. 285, A.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 299 of the laws of 1873, entitled "an act to amend chapter 56, general laws of 1870, entitled 'an act to provide for the incorporation and government of fire and inland navigation and insurance companies.'"

No. 359, A.,

A bill relating to the right of way of railroads and amendatory of section 16, of chapter 119 of the general laws of 1872.

No. 320, A.,

A bill to divide the town of Wrightstown, Brown county, and to create the town of Greenleaf, Brown county.

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A bill to authorize Philetus Sawyer, Jesse Spaulding and Isaac Stephenson and their associates, successors, heirs and assigns to improve that portion of the Menomonee river being in the State of Wisconsin and above Grand Portage rapids, for log-driving purposes.

No. 304, A.,

A bill relating to fire insurance companies doing business in the State of Wisconsin.

No. 119, A.,

A bill to repeal section 1 of chapter 266 of the general laws of 1876, relating to cemetery associations and town cemeteries.

No. 449, A.,

A bill to amend section 2, of chapter 385, of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act to lay out, open, and establish a state road at or near Jenny, in Lincoln county, to Westboro, in Taylor county, and to intersect the new Yellow river road, in Chippewa county, at a point on the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of section 5, town 32, range 5, west."

No. 188, S.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money therein named, to pay for additional copies of the Legislative Manual for 1877.

No. 117, S.,

A bill to appropriate to Joseph B. Treat and others, sums of money therein named.

No. 87, S.,

A bill to provide for acquiring title to a certain tract of land adjoining Northern Hospital for the Insane.

No. 103, S.,

A bill to change the boundaries in certain towns in Lincoln county, and to organize the town of Scanawan therein.

No. 74, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the Northern Hospital for the Insane a sum of money.

No. 17, A.,

A bill in relation to the guardianship of insane persons and spendthrifts.

No. 372, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 181, of the private and local laws of 1876, entitled "an act to amend section 8, of chapter 15, of the Revised Statutes, entitled 'of towns and town officers, powers and duties thereof.'"

Each without amendments.

No. 138, A.,

A bill for purchasing one thousand copies of a wall map of the State of Wisconsin, and supplying school districts with them at cost price.

No. 308, A.,

A bill relating to highways, streets and alleys upon boundary lines of cities and towns.

No. 115, A.,

A bill to authorize A. M. Woodbury to build and maintain a pontoon bridge across the Wisconsin river.

No. 31, A.,

A bill to prevent the commission of waste upon lands, upon which tax certificates are outstanding and unpaid.

No. 375, A.,

A bill to declare warehouse receipts negotiable.

No. 339, A.,

A bill to facilitate the more perfect execution of trusts, in certain cases.

No. 254, S.,

A bill for the relief of Sarah Jane Tarr, and to appropriate to her a certain sum of money therein named.

No. 2, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the state prison a sum of money therein named.

No. 162, A.,

A bill relating to the exemption of earnings of married men and others, and amendatory of chapter 148, laws of 1858.

No. 77, S.,

A bill in relation to judgments.

No. 441, A.,

A bill to require notice of application for tax deeds, in certain cases.

Each with amendments.

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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE CONSIDERED.

No. 308. A.,

A bill relating to highways, streets and alleys upon boundary lines of cities and towns.

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 138, A.,

A bill for purchasing one thousand copies of a wall map of the state of Wisconsin, and supplying school districts with them at cost price.

Was indefinitely postponed.

No. 436, A.,

A bill providing for the letting of the official printing of Milwaukee county.

Amendments adopted, ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 122, A.,

A bill to enforce the attendance of children at the public schools.

Was indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. Cash,
The Assembly adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1877.

Assembly met,

The Speaker in the chair.

Prayer by the Rev. Henry Ward Beecher, of Brooklyn, N. Y.

The roll was called, and the following members were present:

Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailley, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelley, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—97.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Knowlton and Brooks—2.

Absent—Mr. Gray—1.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted to Mr. Marx till Monday evening.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Enrolled Bills have examined and found correctly enrolled the following bills:

No. 67, A.,

A bill to authorize J. T. Mills, late judge of the Fifth judicial circuit, to retain books on payment therefor.

No. 91, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 67, of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1876, entitled "an act to authorize the taking of fish in the public waters of the state, for the purpose of artificial propagation."

No. 24, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of Joseph Mason, a justice of the peace of the county of Grant.

No. 90, A.,

A bill to amend section 12, chapter 4, of chapter 337, private and local laws of 1871, entitled "an act to revise, consolidate and amend the act to incorporate the city of Prescott," and the several acts amendatory thereof.

No. 104, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of O. B. Stevens, a justice of the peace of the county of Shawano.

No. 120, A.,

A bill relating to the powers and duties of the fish commissioners, and amendatory of sections four (4) and seven (7), of chapter 307, of the general laws of 1876.

No. 3, A.,

A bill to amend an act to incorporate the Chamber of Commerce of the city of Milwaukee, approved February 29, 1868.

No. 8, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 58, of the laws of 1876, relating to foreign wills.

M. C. No. 1, A.,

Memorial to Congress for the extension of a mail route from the town of Berlin, in Marathon county, Wisconsin, to the town of Hamburg, in said county.

JOHN J. SENN,
Chairman.

The Joint Committee on Claims had under consideration

Mem. No. 196, A.,

Of W. H. Marston, for payment of a judgment against Jeremiah M. Rusk, bank comptroller of Wisconsin.

Has reported back with the recommendation that its further consideration be indefinitely postponed.

JOHN LUCHSINGER,
Chairman.

The Committee on Federal Relations have had under consideration the following memorials, and have instructed me to report the same back as follows:

M. C., No. 9, A.,

To provide fish ways to the dams on Fox river.

Mem. No. 11, A.,

Memorial to Congress for mail service from Eau Claire, via Sand Creek, to Rice Lake, in Barron county.

And recommend the passage of each of them.

Mem. No. 1, S.,

For increased mail service in the northern part of Sauk county.

Mem. No. 3, S.,

Memorial to Congress for right of way and a grant of land for railroad purposes, to aid in building a railroad through northern Wisconsin.

Mem. No. 4, S.,

Memorial to Congress for an appropriation to aid in a survey of the St. Croix river, Wisconsin.

And recommend that each of them be concurred in.

Mem. No. 6, A.,

For the re-establishment of a tri-weekly mail route between the village of Sussex, Waukesha county, and Lennon Springs in the same county.

And recommend that the same be indefinitely postponed.

W. E. CARTER,
Chairman.

The Milwaukee Delegation, to whom was referred

No. 235, A.,

A bill to provide for the payment by the city of Milwaukee to the county of Milwaukee, for the maintenance of prisoners confined in the House of Correction of said county, for the violation of the ordinances of said city of Milwaukee.

Have had the same under consideration, and report the same back with a recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

ED. KEOGH,
Chairman.

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

The Select Committee to whom was referred

No. 379, A.,

A bill to amend an act to incorporate the State Firemen's Association of Wisconsin.

Have had the same for perfection under consideration, and report the same back with amendment, and recommend its passage when amended.

T. W. SPENCE,
Chairman.

Special Committee of One to whom was referred

No. 170, A.,

A bill to authorize Taylor and Duncan to maintain dams upon Silver Creek and tributaries, in Taylor and Lincoln counties.

Report back with amendment and recommend its passage when so amended.

W. J. FISK,
Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Brooks, the vote by which

No. 202, A.,

A bill to provide for the support of married women and their minor children, and for the custody of minor children by their mothers, in certain cases,

Was indefinitely postponed, was reconsidered; and the further consideration of the same was postponed until Friday next.

On motion of Mr. Blakeslee,

No. 302, A.,

Was recommitted to the Judiciary Committee.

On motion of Mr. Merrill,

No. 25, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 53, general laws of 1858, entitled "an act for the formation and protection of county agricultural societies," was read a third time and concurred in.

ASSEMBLY BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

No. 227, A.,

A bill relating to costs and fees, and amendatory section 33 of chapter 133 of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of costs and fees."

Was read a third time and passed.

Jt. Res. No. 29, A.,

For amending the constitution and relating to suffrage.

Was read a third time and passed by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Greening, Grover, Gœtze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Ringle, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Vance, Van Waters, Walker, Wanne-maker, Weeks, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—84.

Noes—Messrs. Phineas Baldwin, Blakeslee, Hubbard, Keogh, McCollum, McCarty, Roche, Touhey, Wall, Wedig, Wright—11.

No. 453, A.,

A bill to provide for the appointment of five commissioners, who shall furnish to the next legislature certain information, and who shall report to said legislature a bill to re-district the state into ju-

dicial circuits, equalizing the labors of the judges thereof, and determining the salaries of said judges.

No. 249, A.,

A bill relating to the board of equalization of the city of Manitowoc, and amendatory of section 4, chapter 275, private and local laws of 1870, entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Manitowoc."

No. 121, A.,

A bill relating to the distraining of cattle doing damage, and amendatory of section 1, of chapter 41, of the Revised Statutes.

M. C. No. 8, A.,

Memorial to congress for the establishment of a mail route from Friendship, in the county of Adams, to Liberty Bluff, in the county of Marquette.

Jt. Res. No. 20, A.,

Relating to an amendment to the constitution of the United States.

Were each read a third time and passed.

No. 210, A.,

A bill to guard against the abuse of the elective franchise and to preserve the purity of elections by regulating the appointment of inspectors of election and requiring a registration of electors in certain cases; to repeal chapter 445 of the laws of 1864, chapter 296 of the laws of 1865, chapter 126 of the laws of 1866, chapter 131 of the laws of 1871, chapter 232 of the laws of 1875, chapter 302 of the laws of 1876, and amendatory of certain city and village charters therein referred to.

Mr. Hamilton moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed,

Which was lost by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Brost, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Earnest, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Hubbard, Keogh, Kinzie, Marx, Neuhauser, Roche, Tisch, Thornton, Vincent, Wannemaker, Wedig, Zeiman—23.

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And said bill was read a third time and passed.

No. 70, A.,

A bill relating to the liabilities of counties in certain cases, and amendatory of section 1 of chapter 35 of the laws of 1860.

Title amended.

Read a third time and passed.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE CON-
SIDERED.

No. 117, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 83, of the private and local laws of 1875, relating to Watertown railroad debt.

Was laid aside till next session of this Assembly.

No. 63, A.,

A bill relating to attorneys' fees in justice courts; and amendatory of section one, of chapter 96, of the laws of 1876.

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A bill relating to the right of way of railroads and amendatory of section 16, of chapter 119 of the general laws of 1872.

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A bill to amend section 9, of chapter 3, of chapter 184, of the laws of 1874, entitled "an act to consolidate, revise and amend the charter of the city of Milwaukee, approved February 20, 1852, and the several acts amendatory thereof."

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 422, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 47, of the general laws of 1871, entitled "an act to amend chapter 107, of the private and local laws of 1867, entitled 'an act to authorize the appointment of phonographic reporters in the circuit court of the counties of Milwaukee and Kenosha.'"

Was recommitted to Milwaukee County Delegation.

No. 304, A.,

A bill relating to fire insurance companies doing business in the State of Wisconsin.

Was laid aside until the next session of this Assembly.

No. 116, A.,

A bill relating to exchanging bonds in the city of Watertown and amendatory of section 1, of chapter 72, of the private and local laws of 1870.

No. 119, A.,

A bill to repeal section 1 of chapter 266, of the general laws of 1876, relating to cemetery associations and town cemeteries.

Were each postponed until next session of the Assembly.

No. 423, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the Zion's Society of the county of Sauk a sum of money therein named.

No. 430, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money therein named.

Were each referred to Committee on Claims.

Mr. Stapleton moved that the vote by which No. 235, A., was indefinitely postponed be reconsidered, pending which,

Mr. Ries moved that the motion be laid upon the table. Carried.

No. 103, S.,

A bill to change the boundaries in certain towns in Lincoln county, and to organize the town of Scanawan therein.

Substitute adopted. Ordered read a third time.

No. 2, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the state prison a sum of money therein named.

Amendment adopted. Ordered read a third time.

No. 77, S.,

A bill in relation to judgments.

No. 87, S.,

A bill to provide for acquiring title to a certain tract of land adjoining Northern Hospital for the Insane.

No. 254, S.,

A bill for the relief of Sarah Jane Tarr, and to appropriate to her a certain sum of money therein named.

No. 74, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the Northern Hospital for the Insane a sum of money.

No. 188, S.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money therein named, to pay for additional copies of the Legislative Manual for 1877.

No. 117, S.,

A bill to appropriate to Joseph B. Treat and others, sums of money therein named.

Were each ordered read a third time.

SPECIAL ORDER.

Being,

No. 43, S.,

Was now taken up, and on motion of Mr. Spence, was recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary.

Special order,

No. 136, A.,

Was now taken up, amended, and ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Hulburt,
The Assembly adjourned.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 1877.

Assembly met,

The Speaker in the chair.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Hays.

The roll was called and the following members present :

Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shuffelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Vincent, VanWaters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—97.

Absent—Messrs. Black, Knowlton and Lindsay—3.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted to Messrs. Greening and Luchsinger till Monday evening.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From Professor Searing, as follows :

To the Legislature of Wisconsin :

In view of the present agitation of the "text-book question," and of the fact that my opinions and recommendations respecting the same are to some extent misunderstood and misrepresented, I beg leave to call the attention of your honorable body to the following facts :

1. An existing law of the state, passed two years ago, allows any school board to purchase text-books, and, as the property of the district, town, village, or city, to loan free, rent, or sell the same at cost, to the pupils in the schools. Books can be purchased directly from the publishers, through their branch houses in Chicago and Milwaukee, at a discount of 40 per cent. from present retail prices.

Two hundred and sixty-seven districts in the state were reported to me as purchasing books under this law last year, and others have been more recently reported as following their example since the date of the last official reports. Of the 267 reported as purchasing, 137 loaned the books free, and the others either sold or rented the same.

The plan of district purchase under this law is giving excellent satisfaction, in all cases so far as I can learn, and is rapidly spreading and becoming popular.

2. Besides the large saving in cost by district purchase, direct from publishers, uniformity in the school for which books are thus purchased is the natural and inevitable result.

3. An existing law allows any school board to adopt a series of books for the school or schools under its charge, and provides that after such adoption no change shall be made within three years.

I respectfully suggest that the two laws above mentioned are all the legislation in this direction needed, in the interests of the schools and the people. Under these simple and wise laws *the best school books in the world* can be had at a very reasonable price, and absolute uniformity to the extent really essential—in the school or schools under the charge of a single board—can be easily secured.

After a very careful study of this text-book problem, I am convinced that it is wise to seek neither enforced state nor county uniformity. I recommended in my first annual report, and still favor, *township uniformity*; but this only because it would be a step towards the general adoption of the township system of school government, under which the schools of a township are managed by a single board—a very great improvement, in the judgment of nearly all educational men, over the present comparatively inefficient district system.

I am opposed to state uniformity for the following reasons:

(a) A law to secure it could be only partially enforced, and a law partially enforced is generally worse than no law. This is abundantly proved by the experience of several states where uniformity has been tried and has failed,—as in Vermont, Missouri, Minnesota, California, and other states. (b) If enforced, the special needs of particular schools and classes of people would not be so well met. (c) If enforced, it would provoke and alienate many, and tend to lessen the popularity of our school system. (d) If enforced, it would destroy the value of at least half a million dollars' worth of books now in use. (e) If enforced, it would suddenly impose upon the people the burden of at least another half million for the new books they must purchase to replace those outlawed. (f) If enforced, it would prevent, for a series of years, the adoption, by any school board in the state, of any improved

books, cause our schools to fall behind those of other states, and when the inevitable time for a change came, again destroy at a blow a vast amount of property in the hands of the people.

In the name of the professional teachers and superintendents of the state, who are almost unanimously opposed to enforced uniformity—as honorable, *disinterested*, and intelligent a class of citizens as Wisconsin has; in the name of the great majority of the other school officers, who have not asked that one of their most important duties should be taken from their hands, as incompetent to perform it; in the name of the schools of the state, whose interests we should be very cautious not to rashly imperil, I respectfully and earnestly suggest that the laws we now have, if used, are all that is needed to enable the people in every district, village and city to satisfactorily decide for themselves the question of text books, as they decide the questions of school buildings and teachers, of libraries and apparatus. Let us intelligently act under the laws we have, rather than hasten to create others whose success is more than doubtful.

EDWARD SEARING,
Supt. Public Instruction.

MADISON, Feb. 21, 1877.

MEMORIALS PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. Arnold:

Mem. No.—A.,

Remonstrance of Theodore Jungbluth and 55 others, against the passage of bill No. 300, A.

To Committee on Road and Bridges.

By Mr. Arnold:

Mem. No.—A.,

Remonstrance of Hubert Jeares, against the passage of bill No. 300, A.

To Committee on Roads and Bridges.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Senn:

Res. No. 42, A.,

Resolved, That the Committees on Enrolled Bills and on Engrossed Bills be authorized to employ one clerk each, which clerks shall be entitled to pay from and after the adoption of this resolution.

Adopted.

By Mr. Luchsinger:

Res. No. 43, A.,

WHEREAS, This being the anniversary of the birth of George Washington, the patriot and father of his country, and as his mem-

ory is cherished and respected by all citizens of the country, therefore

Resolved, That the Assembly adjourn until to-morrow morning, at 10 o'clock.

Lost.

By Mr. Earnest:

Res. No. 44, A.,

Resolved, That in honor of the immortal Washington, who never went behind the returns to investigate fraud, that this Assembly do now adjourn.

Lost.

By Mr. McCullum:

Res. No. 45, A.,

WHEREAS, The statute of the State of Wisconsin, explicitly declares that the 22d of February shall be a legal holiday, thereby rendering any acts of the legislature on said day void and of no effect;

Resolved, Therefore, that the Assembly do now adjourn.

Lost.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Railroads have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows:

No. 131, S.,

A bill to authorize the town of Necedah, in the county of Juneau, to appropriate a certain sum of money in aid of the construction of the Necedah and Camp Douglas Railroad.

And recommend that it be concurred in.

W. J. FISK,
Chairman.

The Committee on State Lands have had under consideration No. 10, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 314 of the general laws of 1876, entitled "an act relating to trespassing on state lands" and for the repeal of chapter 21 of the general laws of 1871, entitled "an act to consolidate and amend the laws relating to trespassing on state lands."

And recommend the same be indefinitely postponed.

J. L. LINDERMAN,
Chairman.

Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes to whom was referred

No. 65, A.,

A bill relating to the assessment of property for taxation and the levy of taxes thereon, and amendatory of section 33, of chapter 130, of the laws of 1868.

Have had the same under consideration and have instructed me to report the same back and its passage recommended.

No. 328, A.,

A bill to amend section 100, of chapter 18, of the Revised Statutes, concerning the collection of delinquent personal taxes.

Beg leave to report that they have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it do pass.

No. 267, A.,

A bill to prevent excessive taxation by towns, villages and cities.

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be re-committed to the Committee on Judiciary.

No. 30, S.,

A bill to amend section 16, of chapter 130, of the general laws of 1868, entitled "an act to provide for the assessment of property for taxation and the levy of taxes thereon."

Have had the same under consideration, and instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the action of the Senate thereon be concurred in.

D. P. HULL,
Chairman.

The Committee on Enrolled Bills have examined and find correctly enrolled the following bills:

No. 382, A.,

A bill to incorporate the city of Darlington.

No. 149, A.,

A bill to appropriate to George B. Smith and William F. Vilas a sum of money therein mentioned.

No. 187, A.,

A bill to legalize the official acts of Edward F. Carpenter, as notary public for Rock county.

No. 80, A.,

A bill relating to authorizing the commissioners of school and university lands to loan a portion of the trust funds of the state to the county of Racine, and amendatory of chapter 107, of the general laws of 1876.

No. 146, A.,

A bill to provide for an abstract of tax titles in the county of Waushara, and amendatory of chapter 123, of the private and local laws of 1867.

No. 142, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 220 of the laws of Wisconsin, approved March 9, 1876, entitled "an act to improve the south branch of the Eau Claire river and its tributaries in Clark county."

No. 13, A.,

A bill to establish the school district of the city of Shawano, and to regulate its boundaries.

No. 19, A.,

A bill to legalize the proceedings of school district No. 1, town of El Paso, Pierce county.

No. 87, A.,

A bill relating to the geological survey of the State of Wisconsin, and amendatory of chapter 292 of the general laws of 1873, entitled "an act to provide for a complete geological survey of Wisconsin, and to repeal chapter 137 of the general laws of 1870, entitled 'an act to provide for a survey of the lead districts, making maps and collecting statistics from the same,' and chapter 136 of the general laws of 1872, amendatory thereof."

JOHN J. SENN,

Chairman.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same correctly engrossed :

No. 155, A.,

A bill relating to evidence.

No. 343, A.,

A bill relating to the State Historical Society.

No. 417, A.,

A bill relating to the Supreme Court, and amendatory of chapter 284. of the laws of 1876.

No. 344, A.,

A bill relating to deposits of married women, trustees and minors in savings banks.

No. 243, A.,

A bill to provide for the establishing of two election precincts in the town of Milwaukee, in the county of Milwaukee.

No. 118, A.,

A bill relating to town insurance companies.

No. 278, A.,

A bill relating to swamp and overflowed lands in the counties of Manitowoc and Calumet, and amendatory of chapter 341, of the private and local laws of 1867, and chapter 201, laws of 1873, chapter 537, laws of 1865, and chapter 327, laws of 1874, for draining and other purposes.

No. 186, A.,

A bill relating to the mining of iron ore, etc., and to the assessment for taxation of real property containing iron ore.

Jt. Res. No. 15, A.,

Joint Resolution asking Congress to make an appropriation to construct a light-house at the mouth of the harbor of Menomonee.

No. 346, A.,

A bill entitled "an act to provide for the payment of the actual indebtedness of the late town of Eaton, in Monroe county."

No. 253, A.,

A bill relating to costs and fees, and amendatory of sections 1

and 4, chapter 133, Revised Statutes, and the several acts amendatory thereof.

No 89, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 404, of the laws of 1876, relating to counties and county officers.

No. 255, A.,

A bill relating to actions and proceedings by non-resident guardians, and amendatory of section 1, of chapter 73, general laws of 1871.

W. R. HERRON,
Chairman.

The Committee on Town and County Organization have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows:

No. 406, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 407, of the general laws of 1876, and to amend section 2, of chapter 89, of the general laws of 1872.

With amendments, and recommend its passage when so amended.

No. 242, A.,

A bill to divide the county of Juneau and create the county of Mitchell.

Recommend indefinite postponement.

No. 403, A.,

A bill relating to the registration of voters.

Recommend indefinite postponement.

No. 75, S.,

A bill to provide for the examination of the accounts and reports of town officers.

Recommend indefinite postponement.

No. 167, S.,

A bill relating to towns and town officers, and amendatory of section 87, of chapter 15, of the Revised Statutes.

Recommend its concurrence.

H. P. LEAVENS,
Chairman.

The Committee on Agriculture have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows:

No. 99, S.,

To amend section 1 of chapter 92, of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act for the preservation of duck and other wild fowl."

Concurrence recommended.

No. 190, S.,

A bill to amend sections 6 and 8, chapter 93 of the general laws of 1870, entitled "an act for the improvement and raising of stock."

Concurrence recommended.

No. 190, A.,

A bill relating to and amendatory of section 1, chapter 38, laws of 1874, entitled "an act to ascertain annually the number of acres of the principal farm products of the state."

By substitute, and recommend the passage of the substitute.

W. T. BROOKS,

Chairman.

The Committee on Lumber and Manufactures have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows:

No. 366, A.,

A bill relating to a dam across Little Wolf river in Waupaca county, and amendatory of section 4, chapter 159, of the laws of Wisconsin for 1873.

No. 370, A.,

A bill relating to a dam across Little Wolf river in Waupaca county, and amendatory of section 4, chapter 169, of laws of Wisconsin for 1875.

And recommend their passage.

E. BURNETT,

Chairman.

The Committee on Federal Relations have had under consideration

M. C., No. 3, A.,

A memorial to Congress for increased mail facilities in the western portion of Shawano county.

And report the same back with the recommendation that the amendment thereto, adopted by the Senate, be concurred in.

W. E. CARTER,

Chairman.

The Committee on Enrolled Bills have examined and find correctly enrolled the following bill:

No. 144, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 219 of the laws of Wisconsin, approved March 9, 1876, entitled "an act to improve the north branch of the Eau Claire river in the county of Clark."

JOHN J. SENN,

Chairman.

The Joint Committee on Claims had under consideration

No. 192, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money therein named for chaplain services in the legislature of 1877.

And report same back without recommendation.

JNO. LUCHSINGER,

Chairman.

The Committee on Judiciary have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows:

No. 48, S.,

A bill to authorize the commissioners of school and university lands to loan a portion of the trust funds of the state to school district No. 7, town of Baraboo, county of Sauk.

No. 133, S.,

A bill to amend section 2 of chapter 71, general laws of 1858, entitled "an act for the keeping of insane persons."

No. 241, S.,

A bill to authorize the city of Appleton to issue corporate bonds for bridge purposes.

Each with amendments, and concurrence recommended when so amended.

No. 337, A.,

A bill to regulate fees in settlement of particular estates in the county court for Milwaukee county, in probate.

No. 416, A.,

A bill to authorize Chippewa county to issue bonds for a certain purpose.

Each with an amendment, and passage recommended when so amended.

No. 167, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 137 of the laws of Wisconsin of 1876, relating to executions and proceedings supplementary thereto.

Without amendment, and passage recommended.

No. 110, S.,

A bill relating to apportioning the bonded indebtedness of the town of Jefferson, in Jefferson county, and amendatory of section 2, of chapter 12, laws of 1874.

Passage recommended without amendment.

Jt. Res. No. 5, S.,

Ratifying and agreeing to Jt. Res. No. 7, adopted by the legislature of 1876, proposing an amendment to section 2, article VII., of the constitution of the state.

Passage recommended.

No. 206, S.,

A bill authorizing and requiring the farm mortgage land commissioners appointed under chapter 446 of the private and local laws of 1868, to extend the benefits of said act to certain other parties equitably entitled thereto.

And recommend that each of the same be concurred in.

No. 302, A.,

A bill to repeal section 39, of chapter 157, of general laws of Wisconsin for 1869, entitled "an act to codify the laws relating to normal schools, and to amend chapter 94, of general laws of 1859, and chapter 116, general laws of 1866."

No. 355, A.,

A bill to authorize the county of Chippewa to aid in the construction of the works of the Eagle Rapids Flooding, Dam and Boom Company.

No. 246, A.,

A bill to amend section 2 of chapter 47 of the general laws of 1871, entitled "an act to amend chapter 107 of the private and local laws of 1867, entitled 'an act to authorize the appointment of a phonographic reporter for the circuit courts of the counties of Milwaukee and Kenosha.'"

No. 216, A.,

A bill to amend section 6 of chapter 67, general laws of 1871, entitled "an act to protect and encourage the raising of sheep and discourage the raising of dogs."

No. 12, A.,

A bill to permit tender after action commenced on involuntary trespass and contract.

No. 433, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 96, of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1876, an act entitled "an act in relation to attorneys' fees in justice court."

No. 210, S.,

A bill concerning town boards of review.

No. 161, A.,

A bill relating to the exemption of property from execution, and amendatory of sections 23 and 31, of chapter 134, of Revised Statutes.

Without amendments, and indefinite postponement recommended.

No. 440, A.,

A bill relating to the bringing of actions for penalties, and appeals in such actions.

Have had said bill under consideration, and has instructed me to report the same back to the Assembly with an amendment, and to recommend its passage when so amended.

No. 43, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 111, of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of divorces."

With a substitute, and recommend the passage of the substitute.

Messrs. Spence and Flanders dissenting.

CARL C. POPE,

Chairman.

The Committee on State Affairs have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows:

No. 181, A.,

A bill to fix the standard of weights and measures in this state.

No. 389, A.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 303 of the general laws of 1873, entitled "an act to amend chapter 58 of the Revised Statutes and the act amendatory thereto, entitled 'of weights and measures.'"

And report the same back by substitute, and recommend its adoption and passage.

PHINEAS BALDWIN,

Chairman.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

The Milwaukee Delegation, to whom was referred

Mem. No. 86, A.,

A petition from D. T. Post and a number of other citizens, praying for the appointment of a committee to investigate the probate court of Milwaukee county.

Have had the same under consideration, and report that they have no knowledge of any circumstances requiring an investigation of the probate court of Milwaukee county, and that no specific charges are contained in said petition, and recommend that no action be had thereon.

No. 422, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 47, of the general laws of 1871, entitled "an act to amend chapter 107, of the private and local laws of 1867, entitled 'an act to authorize the appointment of phonographic reporters in the circuit court of the counties of Milwaukee and Kenosha.'"

With an amendment, and recommend passage when so amended.

No. 231, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 364 of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act in relation to sheriff's fees."

Have had the same under consideration and report by substitute, and recommend passage of substitute.

ED. KEOGH,
Chairman.

The Special Committee of One to whom was referred

No. 427, A.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 121, general laws of 1856, entitled "an act concerning railroads."

Report the same back by substitute and recommend the passage of the substitute.

W. J. FISK,
Committee.

The Special Committee to whom was referred

No. 446, A.,

A bill to settle the indebtedness of the town of Lyndon.

Report the same back by substitute and ask that the substitute be referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

S. D. HUBBARD,
Committee.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By A. J. TURNER, Chief Clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:—I am directed to inform you the Senate has passed and asks the concurrence of the Assembly in

No. 148, S.,

A bill relating to swamp lands in a certain locality and to repeal chapter 313, of the private and local laws of 1869, entitled "an act to authorize the use of money arising from the sale of certain swamp and overflowed lands in the county of Portage for drainage purposes, and to amend chapter 537, of the laws of 1865, relating thereto;" and also to repeal chapter 105, of the private and local laws of 1875, entitled "an act to amend chapter 313, of the private and local laws of 1869."

Jt. Res. No. 12, S.,

Relating to light house and fog signals on Stannard Rock, Lake Superior.

And has concurred in

No. 94, A.,

A bill relating to and amendatory of section 2, chapter 323 of the general laws of 1875, entitled "an act to authorize the establishment of free high schools."

No. 229, A.,

A bill to prevent fraud by coloring grain.

And has refused to concur in

No. 61, A.,

A bill relating to fire departments, and amendatory of chapter 126, general laws of 1870.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Read first and second times and referred.

No. 148, S.,

To Committee on State Lands.

Jt. Res., No. 12, S.,

To Committee on Federal Relations.

SENATE BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

No. 103, S.,

A bill to change the boundaries in certain towns in Lincoln county, and to organize the town of Scanawan therein.

Was read a third time and concurred in.

No. 2, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the state prison a sum of money therein named.

Was committed to Committee on Claims.

No. 77, S.,

A bill in relation to judgments.

The amendments to which were adopted, bill read a third time and concurred in.

No. 87, S.,

A bill to provide for acquiring title to a certain tract of land adjoining Northern Hospital for the Insane.

Was read a third time and concurred in by the following vote ;

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—95.

Noes—0.

No. 117, S.,

A bill to appropriate to Joseph B. Treat and others, sums of money therein named.

Was read a third time and passed by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Blakeslee, Brost, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Grover, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnston, Kelly, Knapp, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Merrill, Mitchell, Neuhauser, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Sarnow, Seymour, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Vance, Walker, Wyatt, Zeiman. Mr. Speaker Cassoday—55.

Noes—Messrs. Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, Brooks, Burnett, Dale, H. J. Fisk, Field, Gray, Goetze, Hubbard, Johnson, Kast, Keogh, Kinzie, Leavens, McCollum, McCarty, Mohr, Newman, Owen, Ringle, Roche, Scheuber, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Wall, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright—35.

No. 74, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the Northern Hospital for the Insane a sum of money.

Was read a third time and concurred in by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Blakeslee, Brooks, Brost, Bock, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson,

Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—95.

Noes—0.

No. 188, S.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money therein named, to pay for additional copies of the Legislative Manual for 1877.

Was read a third time and concurred in by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnston, Johnson, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—95.

Noes—0.

No. 254, S.,

A bill for the relief of Sarah Jane Tarr, and to appropriate to her a certain sum of money therein named.

Was read a third time and concurred in, by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—95.

Noes—0.

ASSEMBLY BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

No. 255, A.,

A bill relating to actions and proceedings by non-resident guar-

dians, and amendatory of section 1, of chapter 73, general laws of 1871.

No. 253, A.,

A bill relating to costs and fees, and amendatory of section 104, chapter 133, Revised Statutes, and the several acts amendatory thereof.

No. 243, A.,

A bill to provide for the establishing of two election precincts in the town of Milwaukee, in the county of Milwaukee.

No. 89, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 404 of the laws of 1876, relating to counties and county officers.

No. 346, A.,

A bill entitled "an act to provide for the payment of the actual indebtedness of the late town of Eaton, in Monroe county."

Title amended.

No. 278, A.,

A bill relating to swamp and overflowed lands in the counties of Manitowoc and Calumet, and amendatory of chapter 341, of the private and local laws of 1867, and chapter 201, laws of 1873, chapter 537, laws of 1865, and chapter 327, laws of 1874, for draining and other purposes.

No. 344, A.,

A bill relating to the deposits of married women, trustees, and minors in savings banks.

No. 343, A.,

A bill relating to the State Historical Society.

No. 417, A.,

A bill relating to the Supreme Court, and amendatory of chapter 284 of the laws of 1876.

No. 115, A.,

A bill relating to evidence.

No. 118, A.,

A bill relating to town insurance companies.

Jt. Res., No. 15, A.,

Asking Congress to make an appropriation to construct a light-house at the mouth of the harbor at Menominee.

Were each read a third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Spence, and by unanimous consent of the Assembly,

No. 72, A.,

A bill relating to liens for labor upon logs and timber in Chipewa county, and amendatory of section 1 of chapter 372 of the general laws of 1876, entitled "an act to amend sections 1 and 12 of chapter 186 of the general laws of 1861," and also to repeal chapter 161 of the general laws of 1874, entitled "an act to amend chapter 186 of general laws of 1861."

Was recalled; the vote by which the same was passed, was reconsidered, title amended, read a third time and passed.

No. 427, A.,

Was re-committed to Committee on Railroads.

On motion of Mr. Hyde,

No. 186, A.,

A bill relating to the mining of iron ore, etc., and to the assessment for taxation of real property containing iron ore.

Was taken from file, rules suspended, read a third time and passed.

No. 447, A.,

Was re-committed to Committee on Claims.

On motion of W. E. Carter, the vote by which No. 186, A., was passed, was re-considered, and bill re-committed to the Judiciary Committee.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE LAYING OVER CONSIDERED.

No. 117, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 83, of the private and local laws of 1875, relating to Watertown railroad debt.

No. 116, A.,

Relating to exchanging bonds in the city of Watertown and amendatory of section 1, of chapter 72, of the private and local laws of 1870.

Were each laid aside till to-morrow.

No. 170, A.,

A bill to authorize Duncan and Taylor to maintain a dam upon Silver Creek and tributaries in Taylor and Lincoln counties.

Amendments adopted. Ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 304, A.,

A bill relating to fire insurance companies doing business in the State of Wisconsin.

Was recommitted to Committee on Insurance, Banks and Banking.

No. 287, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 144 of the general laws of 1872.

Was indefinitely postponed.

No. 322, A.,

A bill relating to the size of the mesh used in trap or pound nets.

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Flanders, the vote just had by which said bill was ordered engrossed and read a third time,

Was reconsidered, bill amended, ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 98, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the Fish Commissioners of the State of Wisconsin a sum of money therein named.

The question being upon the amendment to the amendment reported by the Committee on Claims.

It was adopted by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs Abell, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Brooks, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, Field, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Hamilton, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Senn, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Truell, Vance, Van Waters, Wall, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zieman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—65.

Noes—Messrs. Anderson, Arnot, Bailey, Blakeslee, Brost, Burnett, Crockett, Dale, Dorwin, Duxtader, H. J. Fisk, Fitzgerald, Grover, Götze, Hammel, Hulburt, Newman, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Seymour, Thornton, Touhey, Walker, Wannemaker—25.

And amendment as amended adopted, bill ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. P. Baldwin,
The Assembly adjourned.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1877.

Assembly met,

The Speaker in the chair.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. ———.

The roll was called, and the following members were present:

Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelley, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—92.

Absent on leave—Mr. Marx—1.

Absent—Messrs. Black, Blakeslee, Crockett, Gray, Greening, Innis, Knowlton, Stapleton—8.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted to Messrs. Stapleton, Gray, Nelson, Roche, Deland and Fitzgerald, (after session), and Duxtader, till Monday evening.

To Messrs. Johnston, Blakeslee, Shepard and Dale, till Tuesday morning.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Ries :

Res. No. 46, A.,

Resolved, That bill No. 365, A., be re-called from the Senate.

Adopted.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Judiciary have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows :

No. 135, A.,

A bill to authorize the tender of judgment in justice courts in actions on contract, or for involuntary trespass after commencement of the action.

No. 28, A.,

A bill to compel the specific performance of written contracts between landlord and tenant in certain cases.

No. 420, A.,

A bill in relation to tax deeds and amendatory of chapter 181, general laws of 1872, entitled "an act to amend section one of chapter 44, general laws of 1870, entitled 'an act to amend section one of chapter 113 of the general laws of 1867.'"

No. 212, A.,

A bill relating to the manner of commencing civil actions and to amend section 7 of chapter 124 of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of the manner of commencing civil actions."

No. 213, A.,

A bill to authorize a record of title to real estate in heirs of real estate.

Mem. No. 21, A.,

Memorial of Morgan L. Martin, praying payment of an award in his favor.

With a recommendation that each of said bills and memorial be indefinitely postponed.

Messrs. Kelly and Pierce dissenting from Memorial No. 21.

No. 425, A.,

A bill to authorize the county board of supervisors of the county of Adams to sell and dispose of the lands owned by said county for the purpose therein set forth.

Passage recommended.

Messrs. Pope and Spence dissenting on section 3 of said bill.

No. 2, A.,

A bill relating to hawkers and peddlers, amendatory of chapter 72, of the laws of 1870, as amended by chapter 395, of the laws of 1876.

With an amendment.

No. 367, A.,

A bill declaratory of the intent and meaning of chapter 123, laws of 1875, entitled "an act to provide for the incorporation of trustees to hold property for religious purposes in certain cases," and chapter 411, laws of 1876, entitled "an act to provide for the incorporation of religious societies and of other sects."

Have had said bill under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back to the Assembly with the recommendation that the further consideration thereof be indefinitely postponed.

CARL C. POPE,

Chairman.

The Committee on Federal Relations have had under consideration the following memorials and report the same back as follows:

Mem. No. 12, A.,
Memorial to Congress for a survey of Wolf River from Lake Poygan to the mouth of Red River.

And report the same back with the recommendation that it pass.

W. E. CARTER,
Chairman.

The Committee on Enrolled Bills have examined and find correctly enrolled the following bills:

No. 434, A.,

A bill to amend section 2 of chapter 222, general laws of 1874, entitled "an act to amend and revise the charter of the city of Wausau."

No. 229, A.,

A bill to prevent fraud by coloring grain.

No. 94, A.,

A bill relating to and amendatory of section 2, of chapter 323, of the general laws of 1874, entitled "an act to authorize the establishment of free high schools."

No. 52, A.,

A bill amendatory of and supplementary to the charter of the city of Milwaukee.

J. J. SENN,
Chairman.

The Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes have had under consideration the following bill and report the same back as follows:

No. 6, A.,

A bill to extend the time of exemption from assessment and taxation of certain lands fixed in the act incorporating the Winnebago and Lake Superior Railroad Company, April 6, 1866, and in the act incorporating the Portage and Superior Railroad Company, approved April 9, 1866.

Beg leave to report the same back with a substitute and ask that the substitute may be printed.

D. P. HULL,
Chairman.

The Committee on Railroads have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows:

No. 427, A.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 121, general laws of 1856, entitled "an act concerning railroads."

Report the same back by substitute and recommend the passage of the substitute.

No. 178, A.,

A bill to extend the time for the construction of the North Wisconsin Railway, and to waive the forfeiture therein referred to.

Recommend that it do pass.

W. J. FISK,
Chairman.

The Committee on Claims had under consideration

No. 438, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Peter Sallentine a sum of money therein named.

No. 439, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Henry Fink a sum of money therein named.

And report these two bills back with the recommendation that they do pass; also

No. 62, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the Lemonweir Valley Horticultural Society a sum of money.

No. 392, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the St. Luke's Hospital, of Racine, a sum of money.

No. 423, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the Zion's Society of the county of Sauk a sum of money therein named.

No. 430, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money therein named.

No. 437, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the Home of the Friendless, of Fond du Lac, a sum of money.

No. 394, A.,

A bill making appropriations to agricultural societies and industrial associations.

No. 451, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money as therein named.

No. 245, A.,

A bill to provide for settling the award in favor of S. D. Carpenter, made under the provisions of chapter 323, laws of 1874.

Report these several bills back with the recommendation that they be severally indefinitely postponed.

JOHN LUCHSINGER,
Chairman.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same correctly engrossed:

No. 312, A.,

A bill to donate the cereals, and other centennial exhibits, made by the state, to the State Agricultural Society.

No. 259, A.,

A bill relating to town insurance companies, to legalize the action of the Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company of the towns of Troy and East Troy of the county of Walworth.

No. 308, A.,

A bill relating to highways, streets and alleys upon boundary lines of cities and towns.

No. 270, A.,

A bill to provide for laying out and establishing a state road from Richland Center, in Richland county, Wis., to Hillsboro, in Vernon county, Wis.

No. 250, A.,

A bill relating to drainage in the city of Manitowoc, and amendatory of section 7, of chapter 228, of the laws of Wisconsin for 1875.

No. 402, A.,

A bill to amend section one (1), of chapter 77, laws of 1876, entitled "an act relating to the Second county court of Brown county, and amendatory of sections four (4) and five (5) of chapter nine (9,) of laws of 1875."

No. 73, A.,

A bill relating to the preservation of game, and amendatory of section one of chapter 121, of the laws of 1874.

No. 151, A.,

A bill relating to the protection of insect-devouring birds, and amendatory of chapter 178, general laws of 1869.

No. 321, A.,

A bill to change the time for holding the general terms of the circuit courts in Walworth county.

No. 329, A.,

A bill to amend sub-section 4, of section 50, of chapter 19, of the Revised Statutes, relating to overseers of highways.

No. 413, A.,

A bill relating to the catching of fish in the Pecatonica river and its tributaries, in La Fayette county.

No. 443, A.,

A bill to amend section 3 of chapter 121, of the laws of 1868, as amended by chapter 54, laws of 1871.

No. 418, A.,

A bill relating to the foreclosure of mortgages.

No. 388, A.,

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the town of Marietta, in Crawford county.

No. 169, A.,

A bill in relation to the exchange of the laws, documents and Supreme Court Reports of this state.

No. 384, A.,

A bill to amend section 2, of chapter 329, of the laws of 1874, entitled "an act for the preservation of game in the State of Wisconsin."

No. 150, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of the supervisors of Star Prairie, St. Croix county.

No. 339, A.,

A bill to facilitate the more perfect execution of trusts, in certain cases.

No. 226, A.,

A bill in relation to the settlement of estates where the county judge is incapacitated, and to amend section 16 of chapter 117 of the Revised Statutes.

No. 63, A.,

A bill relating to attorneys' fees in justice courts, and amendatory of section one, of chapter 96, of the laws of 1876.

No. 195, A.,

A bill relating to the organization of corporations for manufacturing and other purposes, and amendatory of section 12, of chapter 114, of the general laws of 1872.

No. 98, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the fish commissioners of the State of Wisconsin a certain sum of money therein named.

W. R. HERRON,
Chairman.

The Committee on Incorporations, to whom was referred the following bills, report the same back as follows:

No. 290, A.,

A bill to repeal section 7, chapter 2, of the charter of the city of Watertown.

The committee recommend it be indefinitely postponed.

No. 263, A.,

A bill relating to and amendatory of chapter 313, laws of 1876, "an act to revise, consolidate and amend the charter of the city of Racine."

The committee recommend it be indefinitely postponed.

No. 272, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 59, of the laws of 1875, entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Oconomowoc."

The committee report the same back with amendments, and recommend its passage when so amended.

No. 36, S.,

A bill to amend sections 5 and 8, of chapter 153, of the laws of 1876, relating to the corporation of fire departments in unincorporated villages.

The committee recommend that it be indefinitely postponed.

No. 102, S.,

A bill to amend and add to an act entitled "an act to consolidate chapter 49 of the private and local laws of 1855, entitled 'an act to incorporate the village of Madison into a separate school district,' and all acts amendatory thereof," being chapter 203, of the private and local laws of 1867.

The committee recommend concurrence.

No. 261, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 278, laws of 1874, entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Shawano."

The committee report back with amendment, and recommend its passage when so amended.

A. D. DeLAND,
(chairman.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

The Special Committee, to whom was referred

No. 431, A.,

A bill to legalize certain acts of the board of supervisors of Manitowoc county, Wisconsin.

Report the same back and recommend its passage.

P. JOHNSTON,
Committee.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE CONSIDERED.

No. 14, A.,

A bill to amend section 2, chapter 344, laws of 1876, entitled "an act to codify and consolidate all laws in relation to town insurance companies."

Substitute adopted, and ordered engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 202, A.,

A bill to provide for the support of married women and their minor children, and for the custody of minor children by their mothers, in certain cases.

Amendments adopted.

Mr. Johnson moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed, which was carried by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Bock, Brooks, Brost, W. E. Carter, Dale, Dailey, Dixon, Earnest, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Grover, Götze, Hamilton, Hammel, Hubbard, Hull, Innis, Johnson, Kast, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Lindsay, McCollum, McCarty, Mohr, Neuhauser, Pope, Ries, Ringle, Roche, Senn, Spence, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Vance, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Zeiman—48.

Noes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, DeLand, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Herron, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnston, Kelly, Leavens, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Sarnow, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Sylvester, Truell, Wyatt, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—42.

Mr. Johnson moved that the vote just taken, by which bill No. 202, A., was indefinitely postponed, be re-considered and motion laid on the table.

Which was carried by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Arnold, Bock, Brooks, Brost, W. E. Carter, Dale, Dailey, Dixon, Dousman, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Hubbard, Hull, Johnson, Kast, Keogh, Kinzie, McCollum, McCarty, Mohr, Neuhauser, Pope, Ries, Ringle, Roche, Senn, Spence, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Vance, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Zeiman—47.

Noes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Deland, Dorwin, Duxtader, Fink, H. J. Fisk, Herron, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnston, Kelly, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Rice, Sarnow, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Sylvester, Truell, Wannemaker, Wyatt, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—45.

No. 81, A.,

A bill relating to grading and turnpiking highways in this state. Amendment adopted and bill indefinitely postponed.

No. 117, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 83, of the private and local laws of 1875, relating to Watertown railroad debt.

Mr. Carter moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed. Lost.

Mr. Pope moved that the further consideration of No. 117, A., be postponed for thirty days.

Which was carried by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, Brooks, Burnett, W. E. Carter, Dixon, Duxtader, Dousman, Fink, W. J. Fisk, Field, Flanders, Goetze, Herron, Hulburt, Innis, Kelly, Keogh, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Maxwell, Merrill, Pierce, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Sarnow, Seymour, Spence, Sylvester, Vance, Wedig, Weeks, Wyatt, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—42.

Noes—Messrs. Arnold, Bailey, Brost, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Dailey, Deland, Dorwin, Earnest, H. J. Fisk, Fitzgerald, Flinn, Greening, Gro-ver, Hamilton, Hammel, Hubbard, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kinzie, Luchsinger, McCollum, McCarty, Mitchell, Mohr, Neuhauser, Owen, Phillips, Scheuber, Shufelt, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vincent, Van Waters, Walker, Wannemaker, Wright, Zeiman—40.

No. 116, A.,

Relating to exchanging bonds in the city of Watertown, and amendatory of section 1, of chapter 72, of the private and local laws of 1870.

Mr. Pope offers the following amendment :

Strike out the words or figures "1877," wherever they occur in the bill, and insert in lieu thereof the words or figures "1878."

Which was adopted.

Rules suspended, bill read a third time and passed.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

M. C. No. 3, A.,
To Congress for increased mail facilities in the western portion
of Oconto county.

The Senate amendments to which were concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Vance,

No. 280, A.,

A bill relating to votes of stock and bondholders of railroad corporations, and repealing section 2, of chapter 335, of laws of 1869.

Was taken from File, rules suspended and bill indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. Carmichael, No. 335, A., was withdrawn from the Committee on Lumber and Manufactures and re-committed to the Eau Claire and Chippewa County Delegations.

On motion of Mr. Cash,

No. 333, A.,

A bill to authorize the county board of supervisors of the county of Clark to levy and collect a tax for the purpose of building a road in Clark county, Wisconsin.

Was taken from the General File, rules suspended, amendment to amendment adopted, amendment as amended adopted, considered, engrossed, bill read a third time and passed; title amended by adding "s" to "road," and striking out "a" before the word "road," so that the bill shall read

"A bill to authorize the county board of supervisors of the county of Clark, to levy and collect a tax for the purpose of building roads in Clark county, Wisconsin."

Mr. Merrill moved that when the Assembly adjourn it do adjourn until this evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Carried.

No. 192, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money therein named, for chaplain services in legislature of 1877.

The following amendment was reported by the Committee on Legislative Expenditures.

Section 1. There is hereby appropriated out of any money in the general fund, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of twenty-five dollars for each and every clergyman officiating as chaplain for the Legislature of 1877.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Hubbard offered the following amendment :

Add at the end of section one the words "including Henry Ward Beecher."

Lost.

Mr. Spence moved to reconsider the vote by which the amend-

ment recommended by the Committee on Legislative Expenditures was adopted.

Carried.

Mr. Spence offered the following amendment to the amendment: Add the words "except Henry Ward Beecher."

Adopted.

Amendment as amended adopted.

Mr. Phineas Baldwin offered the following amendment to section one:

Add at end of section, the words "provided the number of chaplains shall not exceed six."

Adopted.

Mr. Wright moved to strike out section three.

Lost.

Mr. Ries moved to indefinitely postpone the bill.

Which was lost by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Brost, Deland, Fink, Fitzgerald, Goetze, Hamilton, Hubbard, Luchsinger, McCollum, Ries, Ringle, Sarnow, Sylvester, Tisch, Touhey, Van Waters, Wedig, Wright—18.

Noes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, Brooks, Burnett, Cash, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Dale, Dailey, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Flanders, Flinn, Grover, Hammel, Herron, Hull, Hyde, Innis, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Lindsay, Linderman, Maxwell, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Pope, Rice, Seymour, Scheuber, Shufelt, Spence, Thornton, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Walker, Wanemaker, Weeks, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—62.

No. 192, A.,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 422, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 47, of the general laws of 1871, entitled "an act to amend chapter 107, of the private and local laws of 1867, entitled 'an act to authorize the appointment of phonographic reporters in the circuit court of the counties of Milwaukee and Kenosha.'"

Was on motion of Mr. Vance recommitted to Select Committee of One, (Mr. Vance.)

On motion of Mr. Herron,

The Assembly resolved itself into a

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

On the General File of Bills,

Mr. Pope in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman reported as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: The Assembly in Committee of the Whole, has had under consideration the General File of Bills, has made some

progress therein, and has instructed me to report the following bills to the Assembly for its consideration, and ask leave to sit again:

No. 362, A.,

A bill to fix the terms of the circuit court of Winnebago county.

No. 59, S.,

A bill to amend section 22, of chapter 144, of the general laws of 1872, relating to the organization of corporations for manufacturing and other purposes.

No. 145, S.,

A bill to authorize the commissioners of school and university lands to loan a portion of its trust funds to the town of Pine Valley, in the county of Clark, Wisconsin.

No. 103, A.,

A bill providing for the improvement of the vagrant, dependent and vicious children and youths of the state.

No. 324, A.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 227 of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act to provide for the recording of the lands of the Wisconsin Railroad Farm Mortgage Land Company, in the register's office of the several counties in which such lands are situated."

No. 414, A.,

A bill relating to railroads and amendatory of section 7, of chapter 57, of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1876.

No. 281, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 119 of the general laws of the year 1872.

No. 342, A.,

An act in relation to trusts for charitable purposes.

No. 271, A.,

A bill for the preservation of fish in Waukesha county.

No. 175, A.,

A bill relating to overseers of highways, and highway taxes, and the manner of expending such taxes.

No. 334, A.,

A bill to authorize John T. Kingston, John Smart, Wm. Wook and their associates to build and maintain a bridge across the Wisconsin river, and authorizing certain towns to grant aid therefor.

No. 432, A.,

A bill relating to school district treasurers.

Each with amendments.

No. 419, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money therein named.

No. 415, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Cadle Home, Green Bay, \$500.

No. 404, A.,

A bill to appropriate to St. Nazian's Society, Manitowoc, \$500.

No. 401, A.,

A bill to appropriate to St. John's Home, Milwaukee, \$500.

No. 400, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Orphan Association, Milwaukee, \$1,000.

No. 399, A.,
A bill to appropriate to St. Joseph Orphan Asylum, Milwaukee, \$1,000.

No. 398, A.,
A bill to appropriate to St. Emilianus Orphan Asylum in Milwaukee, \$1,000.

No. 397, A.,
A bill to appropriate to the Home of the Friendless of Milwaukee, a sum of money therein named.

No. 396, A.,
A bill to appropriate to St. Rose Orphan Asylum in Milwaukee, \$1,000.

No. 395, A.,
A bill to appropriate to Milwaukee Industrial School \$1,000.

No. 357, A.,
A bill relating to the protection of the capitol and the capitol park, in the city of Madison.

No. 421, A.,
A bill to repeal chapter 26 of the general laws of 1871, relating to towns and town officers.

No. 292, A.,
A bill to repeal chapter 96, general laws of 1876.

No. 426, A.,
A bill in relation to the support of paupers, and to confer certain powers on the officers therein named.

No. 352, A.,
A bill relating to the election of county superintendents of schools.

M. C. No. 1, S.,
For increased mail service in the northern part of Sauk county.

No. 252, S.,
A bill to appropriate a sum of money therein named to A. E. Elmore and others, for services rendered under Jt. Res. No. 13, session of 1876.

M. C. No. 3, S.,
Memorial to Congress for right of way and a grant of land for railroad purposes, to aid in building a railroad through northern Wisconsin.

M. C. No. 4, S.,
Memorial to Congress for an appropriation to aid in a survey of the St. Croix river, Wisconsin.

M. C. No. 9, A.,
To provide fish ways to the dams on Fox river.

M. C. No. 11, A.,
Memorial to Congress for mail service from Eau Claire, *via* Sand Creek, to Rice Lake, in Barron county.

M. C. No. 6, A.,
For the re-establishment of a tri-weekly mail-route between the village of Sussex, Waukesha county, and Lennon Springs, in the same county.

No. 180, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money to the governor for the benefit of the state library, and to repeal chapter 32, general laws of 1864, and sections one and eight of chapter 26, of Revised Statutes.

No. 184, A.,

A bill relating to stationery and postage stamps for the officers and employes of the Senate and Assembly.

No. 86, A.,

A bill relating to fees of jurors, and to amend chapter 280 of the general laws of 1874.

No. 126, S.,

A bill relating to court commissioners, their appointment, power and duties, and amendatory of section 94 of chapter 13 of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of counties and county officers," and the several acts amendatory thereof.

No. 73, S.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 105, of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of the conveyance of real estate by executors and administrators in certain cases."

Jt. Res. No. 27, A.,

Authorizing the state treasurer to refund to the Mineral Point railroad the amount paid in 1876, by said company, in excess of the license fees required by law.

No. 151, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 244, of the private and local laws of 1867, entitled "an act to incorporate the village of Trempealeau."

No. 159, S.,

A bill to provide for the competency of married women as witnesses.

No. 111, S.,

A bill to amend section 15, of chapter 133, of the Revised Statutes, relating to witness fees in courts of record.

No. 160, S.,

A bill to authorize the trustees, managers and directors of the state charitable, penal and benevolent institutions, to require their treasurer or other person having money or property of said institutions in their possession, to give bonds.

No. 108, S.,

A bill to fix the times for holding the terms of the circuit court in the county of Kenosha.

No. 125, S.,

A bill relating to assaults with intent to do great bodily harm, and to prescribe the punishment therefor.

No. 100, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the superintendent of public property a sum of money therein named, for the use of the state.

No. 447, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the Free Religious Association of Milwaukee, \$1,000.

No. 405, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 176, of the laws of 1872, entitled "an act to provide for the government of the Wisconsin Hospital for the Insane," approved April 1, 1872.

No. 240, A.,

A bill to prohibit the holding of elections in buildings where spirituous liquors are sold.

Each without amendments.

On motion of Mr. McCarty

No. 272, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 59, of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act to provide for the support of the poor of Milwaukee county."

Was taken from the file, the rules suspended, amendments adopted, bill read a third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Luchsinger,

No. 10, A.,

Was taken from File and recommitted to Committee on State Lands.

On motion of Mr. Hulburt,

No. 292, A.,

Was referred to Select Committee of One, (Mr. Hulburt.)

Nos. 400, 401, 397, 398, 399, 395, 396, 404, 415 and 447, A., and Mem. No. 102, A., and Jt. Res. No. 27, A.,

Were all referred to Committee on Claims.

No. 281, A.,

Was recommitted to Committee on Judiciary, and substitute ordered printed.

Nos. 334 and 175, A.,

Were each laid aside till Saturday next.

No. 103, A.,

A bill to provide for the improvement of the condition of the vagrant, dependent and vicious children and youths of the state.

No. 362, A.,

A bill to fix the terms of the circuit court of Winnebago county.

No. 271, A.,

A bill for the preservation of fish in Waukesha county.

The amendments to each were adopted, and each ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Hamilton, the vote by which bill No. 103, A., was ordered engrossed and read a third time was re-considered, and bill laid aside till Saturday next.

On motion of Mr. Seymour,
The Assembly adjourned.

7:30 P. M.

Assembly met,

The Speaker in the chair.

The roll was called, and the following members present:

Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, Brooks, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Flanders, Flinn, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Neuhauser, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shufelt, Spence, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassody—83.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Blakeslee, Black, Dale, Doxtader, Fitzgerald, Gray, Greening, Marx, Nelson, Roche, Shepard, Stapleton,—12.

Absent—Messrs. Crockett, Hubbard, Knowlton, McCarty, Wright—5.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted to Messrs. Merrill, (after evening session) Rice, Hull, Mitchell, till Monday evening.

To Messrs. Wright, Hubbard and McCarty till Saturday morning.
And to Mr. Wedig till Tuesday morning.

MEMORIALS PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. Grover:

Mem. No. 213, A.,

Remonstrance of Nathan Fisk and 35 others, against the passage of the bill exempting the North Wisconsin Railroad lands from taxation.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Grover:

Mem. No. 214, A.,

Remonstrance of C. W. Kelley and 18 others, against the passage of the same bill.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Grover:

Mem. No. 215, A.,

Remonstrance of William Moody and 20 others, against the passage of the same bill.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Grover,

Mem. No. 216, A.,

Remonstrance of Isaac H. Swarts and 33 others, against the passage of said bill.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Johnson.

Mem. No. 217, A.,

Petition of W. E. Story, Alfred Greenwood, and fifteen other citizens of Montrose, Dane county, Wisconsin, for the passage of a law for the preservation of fish in Sugar River.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

COMMUNICATIONS.

The following communication was presented from the Business Men's Association of the city of Fond du Lac:

WHEREAS, Bills are now pending in our legislature to compel a uniformity in text-books in our public schools; and

WHEREAS, Many of the features of said bills are not approved by us; therefore

Resolved, That while this association believes a uniformity of text-books in our public schools would be beneficial in itself and a saving of money to the people of the state, it is opposed to a sudden change, and recommends that at least one year be given before the law shall go into full effect.

Resolved, That this association is emphatically opposed to any law whereby the furnishing of text-books shall be given to any one firm or person, without stated price and proposals for furnishing the same having been previously taken in due and usual form.

Resolved, That copies of these resolutions be sent to Senator Hiner and Assemblyman Spence.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Judiciary have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows:

No. 361, A.,

A bill to provide for the punishment of certain offenses against log owners on Wolf river and its tributaries.

And indefinite postponement recommended.

No. 340, A.,

A bill in relation to the release of dower in real estate, by insane persons.

With amendments, and passage recommended, when so amended.

No. 186, A.,

A bill relating to the mining of iron ore, etc., and to the assessment for taxation of real property containing iron ore.

With a substitute, and passage of the substitute recommended.

CARL C. POPE,
Chairman.

The Committee on State Affairs have had under consideration the following bill and report the same back as follows:

No. 391, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 312 of the private and local laws of 1869, relating to certain overflowed and swamp lands in the county of Portage.

And recommend that the same be referred to Committee on State Lands.

PHINEAS BALDWIN,
Chairman.

The Committee on Roads and Bridges have had under consideration the following bill, and report the same back as follows:

No. 146, S.,

A bill to provide for the alteration and the discontinuance of portions of the state road from Black River Falls in Jackson county, to the city of La Crosse, in La Crosse county.

And recommend that it be concurred in.

S. J. SEYMOUR,
Chairman.

The Committee on Incorporations have had under consideration the following bills, and respectfully report the same back to the house as follows:

No. 139, S.,

A bill relating to the Madison Mutual Insurance Company, and amendatory of chapter 329, private and local laws of 1863.

The committee recommend that it be concurred in.

No. 452, A.,

A bill to revise, consolidate and amend the charter of the city of Stevens Point.

The committee report the same back with amendments, and recommend its passage when so amended.

No. 293, A.,

A bill to repeal sections 61 and 62 of chapter 188 of the general laws of 1872, of the incorporation of villages. Also to repeal section seven, chapter 240, laws of 1876, to authorize village boards to lay out streets.

The committee recommend that it be indefinitely postponed.

A. D. DELAND,
Chairman.

The Committee on Education have had under consideration the following bill, and report the same back as follows:

No. 331, A.,

A bill to exempt the lands of the Cornell University from taxation.

And have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

ELIHU BAILEY,
Chairman.

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

The Juneau County Delegation, have had under consideration No. 317, A.,

And report back the same with the recommendation that it be referred to the Joint Committee on Claims.

DAVID TRUELL,
W. H. H. CASH.

The Committee of One to whom was referred

No. 422, A.,

Report the same back with sundry amendments, and recommend that it do pass.

D. VANCE,
Committee.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

The special committee, consisting of Messrs. Leavens, Kelly, Flanders, Sylvester and Hammel, have had under consideration the following bill:

No. 383, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 315, general laws of 1875, entitled "an act to provide for uniformity and the free use of text-books in towns and cities."

And report the same back by substitute, and recommend the adoption and passage of the substitute.

Your committee desire to state, that while many of the features of the original bill are deemed to be commendable, and while the said bill has been pronounced by distinguished educators and competent judges in matters of like import, to be the best one ever drafted, for the accomplishment of the declared purposes, yet, in view of the magnitude and importance of the results aimed at, and the radical change proposed in the said bill, your committee do not feel justified in assuming the responsibility of recommending its passage.

The Committee are of the opinion that a combination exists among the publishers of school text-books, to keep up the prices of the same; that it is desirable and possible to cheapen the present prices of school text-books to the consumers; and that some-

thing approaching to uniformity in school text-books for use in the public schools, is desirable.

The Committee find that in most of the cities in the state a graded system of school text-books has been adopted, as the result of years of experience and attention to the subject, and that the school boards of some school districts have already adopted a uniform series of school text-books; that booksellers, school boards and parents of school children in this state have now on hand school text-books of the kinds used in the different schools to the estimated value of nearly half a million of dollars, and that the conforming to any law requiring the purchase of new books for use in public schools, would involve an expenditure of at least a quarter of a million of dollars.

The committee believe that any school text-book legislation, requiring the adoption by all public schools in the state of a system of uniformity in text books, should clearly and surely provide as follows :

1st. For the greatest possible competition between the text-book publishers, that the lowest prices procurable might be obtained.

2nd. For a graded uniformity, which would recognize the different needs of the graded schools of the cities and their constant pupils, and the district schools of the country and their occasional scholars.

3rd. For such a gradual introduction of such a system into the schools as would inflict the least burden possible upon those who would be compelled to obtain new text books.

The committee feel that, in view of the importance and gravity of the subject, and the meagre amount of information relating to it at hand, and the brief time left before the probable close of the present session, it is neither safe nor advisable to attempt any radical legislation in this regard at this time, and so have not attempted to perfect the original bill committed to them.

The committee call attention to chapter 315, of the laws of 1875, which authorizes, under certain conditions, the school boards of districts, towns, cities and villages to purchase school text-books and to give, loan, let or sell such books to pupils, as may be deemed best. Attention is also called to the statement contained in the communication of the 21st instant of the superintendent of public instruction to the present legislature, to the effect that text-books can be purchased by school boards directly from the publishers at a discount of 40 per cent. from present retail prices.

Attention is also called to chapter 111, of the general laws of 1867, as amended by chapter 156 of the general laws of 1868, which provides that, after adoption, school text-books cannot be changed for a period of at least three years. Of the existence of the said law of 1875, and that text-books can be furnished so cheaply, the committee feel sure that most of the school boards in the state are not aware; and it is possible, also, that such boards are not aware of the existence of the said law of 1867, as amended by said law of 1868; and the substitute reported seeks to make it the duty of the superintendent of public instruction to advise all school boards re-

garding these two said laws, and to instruct such boards how to apply the said laws, and how to obtain text-books at the said reduction of forty per cent. It is believed that the general application of these laws, and the securing of the discount named from present retail prices by the school boards of the state, would go far toward solving the cheap school text-book problem, and would result in approximation to text-book uniformity, and the committee are unanimous in recommending that no further, or radical legislation be attempted by the present legislature.

The committee find that the provision already alluded to in chapter 111, of the laws of 1867, as amended by chapter 156, of the laws of 1868, that text-books shall not be changed for three years after adoption, has proved to be a wise measure, and an amendment to the said law of 1867, as amended by the said law of 1868, increasing the period during which text-books shall not be changed after adoption, to five years, would probably have a happy effect.

The committee leave this last suggestion for the consideration of the next succeeding legislature, to which honorable body, when constituted, the committee would recommend the consideration of the important and interesting problems involved in the subject to which this report relates.

H. P. LEAVENS,
Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Hull,
The substitute for No. 6, A., was ordered printed.
On motion of Mr. Deland,
The substitute for No. 14, A., was referred to Committee of One
for perfection, (Mr. Deland).
On motion of Mr. Pope,
No. 210, S.,
Was referred to Committee on Judiciary.

ASSEMBLY BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

No. 312, A.,
A bill to donate the cereals and other centennial exhibits, made by the state, to the State Agricultural Society.
No. 259, A.,
A bill relating to town insurance companies, to legalize the action of the Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company of the towns of Troy, and East Troy, of the county of Walworth.
No. 308, A.,
A bill relating to highways, streets and alleys upon boundary lines of cities and towns.
No. 270, A.,
A bill to provide for laying out and establishing a state road

from Richland Center, in Richland county, Wisconsin, to Hillsboro, in Vernon county, Wisconsin.

No. 250, A.,

A bill relating to drainage in the city of Manitowoc, and amendatory of section 7, of chapter 228, of the laws of Wisconsin, for 1875.

No. 402, A.,

A bill to amend section one (1), of chapter 77, laws of 1876, entitled "an act relating to the Second county court of Brown county, and amendatory of sections four (4) and five (5), of chapter nine (9), laws of 1875."

No. 73, A.,

A bill relating to the preservation of game, and amendatory of section 1, of chapter 121, of the laws of 1874.

No. 151, A.,

A bill relating to the protection of insect-devouring birds, and amendatory of chapter 178, general laws of 1869.

No. 321, A.,

A bill to change the time for holding the general terms of the circuit courts in Walworth county.

No. 329, A.,

A bill to amend sub-section 4, of section 50, of chapter 19, of the Revised Statutes, relating to overseers of highways.

No. 413, A.,

A bill relating to the catching of fish in the Pecatonica river and its tributaries, in La Fayette county.

Were severally read a third time and passed.

No. 443, A.,

A bill to amend section 3 of chapter 121, of the laws of 1868, as amended by chapter 54, laws of 1871.

Was read a third time and passed; title amended by adding after the word "bill" the following words, "relating to the salary of county judges."

No. 418, A.,

A bill relating to the foreclosure of mortgages.

No. 388, A.,

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the town of Marietta, in Crawford county.

No. 169, A.,

A bill in relation to the exchange of the laws, documents and Supreme Court Reports of this state.

Were severally read a third time and passed.

No. 384, A.,

A bill to amend section 2, of chapter 329, of the laws of 1874, entitled "an act for the preservation of game in the State of Wisconsin."

Was read a third time and passed.

Title amended as follows: After the word "bill" insert "relating to the preservation of game in the State of Wisconsin, and amendatory of."

No. 150, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of the supervisors of Star Prairie, St. Croix county.

Was read a third time and passed.

Title amended as follows: After the word "the" insert the words "board of". After the word "of" insert the words "the town of". After the word "Prairie" insert the words "in the county of". After the words "St. Croix" strike out the word "county", and add in lieu thereof the words "Wisconsin in building a bridge across Willow river in section number thirty-six (36) of said town."

No. 339, A.,

A bill to facilitate the more perfect execution of trusts, in certain cases.

No. 226, A.,

A bill in relation to the settlement of estates, where the county judge is incapacitated, and to amend section 16, of chapter 117, of the Revised Statutes.

No. 195, A.,

A bill relating to the organization of manufacturing companies and other purposes, and amendatory of section 12, of chapter 414, of the general laws of 1872.

Were severally read a third time and passed.

No. 63, A.,

A bill relating to attorneys' fees in justice courts, and amendatory of section 1, of chapter 96, of the laws of 1876.

Was read a third time and passed, title amended to read as follows:

A bill relating to attorneys' fees in justices courts, and amendatory of section one, of chapter 96, of the laws of 1876.

No. 98, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the fish commissioners a certain sum of money therein named.

Was read a third time and passed by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, Brooks, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Flanders, Flinn, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, McCollum, Merrill, Michell, Mohr, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Sarnow, Senn, Scheuber, Shufelt, Spence, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Wedig, Weeks, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—75.

Noes—Messrs. Arnot, Bailey, Brost, Hulburt, Ringle, Seymour, Touhey, Walker, Wannemaker, Wyatt—10.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE CONSIDERED.

No. 324, A.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 227 of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act to provide for the recording of the lands of the Wisconsin Railroad Farm Mortgage Land Company in the register's office of the several counties in which lands are situated."

No. 180, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money to the governor, for the benefit of the state library.

No. 414, A.,

A bill relating to railroads, and amendatory of section 7, chapter 57, of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1876.

The amendments to each were adopted, and bills ordered engrossed for a third reading.

M. C. No. 11, A.,

To Congress for mail service, from Eau Claire to Rice Lake, in Barron county.

M. C. No. 9, A.,

To Congress, to provide fish ways to the dams on Fox River.

Were each ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 59, S.,

A bill to amend section 22, of chapter 144, of the general laws of 1872, relating to the organization of corporations for manufacturing and other purposes.

Amendments adopted, bill ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 145, S.,

A bill to authorize the commissioners of school and university lands to loan a portion of its trust funds to the town of Pine Valley, in the county of Clark, Wisconsin

Mr. Pope offered the following amendment:

Amend section 2, by striking out all of said section before the word "before," in the fourth line of the printed bill.

Amendment as amended adopted, and bill ordered to a third reading.

No. 252, S.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money therein named to A. E. Elmore and others, for services rendered under Jt. Res. No. 13, session of 1876.

No. 100, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the superintendent of public property, a sum of money therein named, for the use of the state.

No. 108, S.,

A bill to fix the times for holding the terms of the circuit court in the county of Kenosha.

No. 184, S.,

A bill to amend an act entitled "an act to organize a union school district in the village and town of Monroe, in the county of Green."

No. 125, S.,

A bill relating to assaults with intent to do great bodily harm, and to prescribe the punishment therefor.

No. 160, S.,

A bill to authorize the trustees, managers and directors of the state charitable, penal and benevolent institutions, to require their treasurer or other person having money or property of said institutions in their possession, to give bonds.

No. 86, S.,

A bill for the preservation of fish in lakes Winnebago, Butte des Morts, Winneconne, Poygan, and Little Lake Buttes des Morts, and the waters of Fox river between Little Lake Butte des Morts and the mouth of Wolf river and lake Winneconne.

Were severally ordered read a third time.

M. C. No. 1, S.,

To Congress for the extension of a mail route from the town of Berlin in Marathon county, Wisconsin, to the town of Hamburg in said county.

M. C. No. 3, S.,

To Congress for increased mail facilities in western portion of Oconto county.

M. C. No. 4, A.,

For service on a mail route now established from Menominee, Dunn county, to Erin Corners, in St. Croix county.

Were severally ordered to a third reading.

No 111, S.,

A bill to amend section 15 of chapter 133, of the Revised Statutes, relating to witness fees in courts of record.

The following amendment was offered by Mr. Pope :

Amend by inserting the word "attorney" after the word "drug-gist" in the first section. Strike out the word "five" and insert in lieu thereof the word "twenty." Strike out the words "two dollars and fifty cents" and insert in lieu thereof the words "ten dollars."

Which was lost, and bill indefinitely postponed.

No. 43, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 111, of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of divorcees."

Mr. Johnson moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

Which was carried by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, A. L. Baldwin, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Dailey, Dousman, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Hamilton, Hammel, Hubbard, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Kast, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Mitchell, Mohr, Neuhäuser, Owen, Rice, Senn, Seymour, Shufelt, Spence, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vincent, Wall, Walker, Wedig, Weeks, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—52.

Noes—Messrs. Phineas Baldwin, Bock, W. E. Carter, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Fink, Field, Grover, Goetze, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Johnston, Kelly, Leavens, Linderman, Merrill, Newman, Pierce,

Phillips, Pope, Ries, Ringle, Sarnow, Scheuber, Vance, Van Waters, Wannemaker, Wyatt—30.

On motion of Mr. Pope,

No. 2, A.,

Was laid aside till Tuesday next, February 27.

Mr. Hamilton moved that when the Assembly adjourn, it do adjourn until 9 o'clock a. m. to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Flanders,

No. 186, A.,

Was taken from File, rules suspended, substitute adopted, read a third time and passed.

No. 292, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 96, general laws of 1876.

No. 419, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money therein named.

No. 240, A.,

A bill to prohibit the holding of elections in buildings where spirituous liquors are sold at retail.

No. 73, S.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 105, of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of the conveyance of real estate by executors and administrators in certain cases."

No. 151, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 244, of the private and local laws of 1867, entitled "an act to incorporate the village of Trempealeau."

No. 159, S.,

A bill to provide for the competency of married women as witnesses.

No. 423, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the Zion's Society of the county of Sauk a sum of money therein named.

No. 62, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the Lemonweir Valley Horticultural Society a sum of money.

M. C. No. 6, A.,

To Congress for the re-establishment of a tri-weekly mail route between the village of Sussex, Waukesha county, and Lannon Springs, in the same county and state.

No. 430, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money therein named.

No. 432, A.,

A bill relating to school district treasurers.

No. 126, S.,

A bill relating to court commissioners, their appointment, powers and duties, and amendatory of section 94, of chapter 13, of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of counties and county officers," and the several acts amendatory thereof.

No. 342, A.,

A bill in relation to trusts for charitable purposes.

Were severally indefinitely postponed.

No. 421, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 26 of the general laws of 1871, relating to town and town officers.

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Luchsinger,
The Assembly adjourned.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1877.

Assembly met,

The Speaker in the chair.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Hays.

The roll was called, and the following members were present:

Messrs. Anderson, Arnold Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Dixon, Dorwin, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Flanders, Flinn, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelley, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Luchsinger, Maxwell, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mohr, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Ries, Ringle, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shufelt, Spence, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—72.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Black, Blakeslee, Dale, Deland, Doxtader, Fitzgerald, Gray, Greening, Marx, Mitchell, Nelson, Rice, Roche, Shepard, Stapleton, Wedig—16.

Absent—Messrs. Abell, Crockett, Dailey, Hammel, Hubbard, Keogh, Knowlton, Linderman, Pope, Sylvester, Vance, Weeks—12.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted to Messrs. Pope, Hammel, Hubbard, Linderman, Truell, Innis, Spence (after morning session), Wannemaker (after morning session.)

Keogh, until Tuesday morning.

To Mr. Abell indefinitely.

The journal of February 22d, was amended as follows:

In the vote on the passage of

No. 117, S.,

Mr. H. J. Fisk should be recorded as voting no—on said bill only.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Incorporations have had under consideration

No. 446, A.,

A bill to settle the indebtedness of the town of Lyndon.

The committee report the same back to the Assembly by substitute, and recommend the passage of the substitute.

A. D. DELAND,
Chairman.

The Committee on Public Improvements have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows:

No. 177, A.,

A bill to improve Cunningham creek, in Clark county, Wisconsin, and to grant to Chauncey Blakeslee, his successors, or assigns, certain powers and privileges therein named, and report the same back without amendments, and recommend that the same do pass

No. 265, A.,

A bill to authorize James Hewitt to maintain a dam across Wedge Creek in Clark county, Wisconsin.

And report the same back without amendments and recommend that the same do pass.

No. 67, S.,

A bill to amend section 6, of chapter 165 of the laws of Wisconsin of 1874, entitled "an act to secure the safe navigation of the Wisconsin river."

And report the same back without amendments, and recommend that the same do pass.

No. 129, S.,

A bill to authorize the town of Ahnapee to build and maintain a bridge across Ahnapee river.

And report the same back without amendments, and recommend that the same do pass.

SAMUEL BLACK,
Chairman.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back correctly engrossed:

No. 115, A.,

A bill to authorize A. M. Woodbury to build and maintain a pontoon bridge across the Wisconsin river.

No. 162, A.,

A bill relating to the exemption of earnings of married men and others, and amendatory of chapter 148, laws of 1858.

No. 314, A.,

A bill to authorize Philetus Sawyer, Jesse Spaulding and Isaac Stephenson and their associates, successors, heirs or assigns to improve that portion of the Menomonee river, being in the State

of Wisconsin, and above Grand Portage rapids, for log-driving purposes.

No. 31, A.,

A bill to prevent the commission of waste upon lands, upon which tax certificates are outstanding and unpaid.

No. 276, A.,

A bill to provide for the purchase of 250 copies of Webster's Unabridged Dictionary.

No. 379, A.,

A bill to amend an act to incorporate the State Fireman's Association of the State of Wisconsin.

No. 269, A.,

A bill to amend section 32, of chapter 130, of the general laws of 1868, entitled "an act to provide for the assessment of property for taxation and the levy of taxes thereon."

No. 359, A.,

A bill relating to the right of way of railroads and amendatory of section 16, of chapter 119 of the general laws of 1872.

No. 286, A.,

A bill relating to the capital of fire and inland navigation insurance companies of other states and of foreign governments, desiring to transact business in this state.

No. 322, A.,

A bill relating to the size of the mesh used in trap or pound nets.

No. 100, A.,

A bill to amend section 9, of chapter 3, of chapter 184, of the laws of 1874, entitled "an act to consolidate, revise and amend the charter of the city of Milwaukee, approved February 20, 1852, and the several acts amendatory thereof."

No. 136, A.,

A bill relating to the invention and successful use of steam and other mechanical agents on highways, and amendatory of chapter 184 of the laws of 1875, as amended by chapter 182 of the laws of 1876.

W. R. HERRON,
Chairman.

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

The Select Committee to whom was referred

No. 14, A.,

A bill relating to town insurance companies.

Report the same back with sections correctly numbered.

A. D. DELAND,
Chairman.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By A. J. TURNER, Chief Clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform you that the Senate has passed and asks the concurrence of the Assembly in

No. 11, S.,

A bill relating to cemetery associations.

No. 23, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 139, of the general laws of 1875, entitled "an act to amend section 3, of chapter 78, of the general laws of 1867, entitled 'an act for the preservation of game.'"

No. 198, S.,

A bill relating to corporations organized under the laws of this state, and amendatory of section 8, of an act entitled "an act to authorize the organization of corporations for other than for the purposes of manufacturing, mercantile, insurance, banking, transportation, or trading purposes," approved March 25th, 1872.

No. 134, S.,

A bill concerning the acknowledgment of certain deeds.

No. 136, S.,

A bill relating to the trial of certain criminal cases.

No. 52, S.,

A bill to provide for the protection of game in the county of Burnett.

No. 124, S.,

A bill appointing four trustees for the Galesville University, and authorizing the General Assembly of the Presbyterian church in the United States of America, to appoint eight trustees therefor, also repealing section one (1), of chapter eleven (11), of the private and local laws of 1862, and chapter 259, of the private and local laws of 1870.

No. 170, S.,

A bill to empower the board of trustees of any incorporated village, or the common council of any city, to prescribe the duties and qualifications of street commissioners.

No. 68, S.,

A bill to legalize the acts of the Waukesha County Agricultural Society.

No. 182, S.,

A bill relating to loans of school and university trust funds to school districts, and amendatory of section 5, chapter 42 of the general laws of 1871.

No. 179, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 321 of the laws of 1874, entitled "an act to amend an act entitled 'an act to incorporate the city of Grand Rapids.'"

No. 105, S.,

A bill relating to the assessment and collection of taxes, and issuing of tax deeds in Jackson county.

No. 114, S.,

A bill relating to the reduction of the price of swamp and overflowed lands in Jackson county.

No. 49, S.,

A bill to authorize the commissioners of school and university

lands to loan a portion of the trust funds of the state to the county of Polk.

And has concurred in

No. 164, A.,

A bill to authorize the city of Racine to appropriate certain moneys.

And has concurred in Assembly amendment to

No. 72, A.,

A bill relating to liens for labor upon logs and timber in Chippewa county, and amendatory of section 1 of chapter 372 of the general laws of 1876, entitled "an act to amend sections 1 and 12 of chapter 186 of the general laws of 1861," and also to repeal chapter 161 of the general laws of 1874, entitled "an act to amend chapter 186 of general laws of 1861."

And has passed and asks the concurrence of the Assembly in

No. 112, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 41, of the laws of 1873, entitled "an act to amend chapter 224, of the private and local laws of 1871, entitled 'an act to consolidate and amend the act to incorporate the city of Beaver Dam, and the several acts amendatory thereof.'"

Jt. Res. No. 13, S.,

Relating to the revising board.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Read first and second times and referred.

Nos., 511, 134, 136, 170, 182, 105, and 49 S.,

Were all referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Nos. 52 and 23, S.,

Were each referred to Committee on Agriculture.

Nos. 112, 198 and 179, S.

Were each referred to Committee on Incorporations.

No. 114, S.,

To Committee on State Lands.

No. 68, S.,

To Waukesha County Delegation.

No. 124, S.,

To Select Committee, composed of the delegations from the following counties: La Crosse, Jackson, Trempealeau, Buffalo and Pepin.

Jt. Res. No. 13, S.,

Relating to the revising board.

Was read first and second times, rules suspended and concurred in, and in compliance with the requirements of the resolution, the Speaker appointed as the committee named therein, on the part of the Assembly, Messrs. W. E. Carter, Spence and Flanders.

Mr. Hamilton moved that when the Assembly adjourn, it do adjourn until Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Carried.

On motion of Mr. W. E. Carter, the vote by which No. 126, S., was indefinitely postponed yesterday, was reconsidered, and bill recommitted to

To Committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Brooks, the vote by which No. 81, A., was indefinitely postponed yesterday, was reconsidered, and referred to a special committee (for perfection) composed of the following gentlemen :

Messrs. Seymour and Newman.

On motion of Mr. Arnot, No. 452, A., was taken from General File, and referred to a select committee (for perfection) consisting of the following gentlemen :

Messrs. Spence, Walker and Arnot.

On motion of Mr. Hull, No. 267, S., was taken from file and referred

To Committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Weeks, the vote by which No. 117, A., was indefinitely postponed yesterday, was reconsidered, and bill laid aside until Tuesday, February 27th.

SENATE BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

No. 160, S.,

A bill to authorize the trustees, managers and directors of the state charitable, penal, and benevolent institutions, to require their treasurer or other person having money or property of said institution in their possession, to give bonds.

No. 86, S.

A bill for the preservation of fish in lakes Winnebago, Butte des Morts, Winneconne, Poygan, and Little Lake Butte des Morts, and the waters of Fox river between Little Lake Butte des Morts and the mouth of Wolf river and lake Winneconne.

No. 145, S.,

A bill to authorize the commissioners of school and university lands to loan a portion of its trust funds to the town of Pine Valley, in the county of Clark, Wisconsin.

No. 125, S.,

A bill relating to assaults with intent to do great bodily harm, and to prescribe the punishment therefor.

No. 184, S.,

A bill to amend an act entitled, "an act to organize a union school district in the village and town of Monroe, in the county of Green."

No. 108, S.,

A bill to fix the times for holding the terms of the circuit court in the county of Kenosha.

No. 59, S.,

A bill to amend section 22 of chapter 144 of the general laws of 1872, relating to the organization of corporations for manufacturing and other purposes.

M. C. No. 4, A.,

For service on a mail route now established from Menominee, Dunn county, to Erin Corners, in St. Croix county.

M. C. No. 3, S.,

To Congress for increased mail facilities in western portion of Oconto county.

M. C. No. 1, S.,

To Congress for the extension of a mail route from the town of Berlin in Marathon county, Wisconsin, to the town of Hamburg in said county.

No. 100, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the superintendent of public property, a sum of money therein named, for the use of the state.

Were each read a third time and passed.

No. 252, S.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money therein named to A. E. Elmore and others, for services rendered under Jt. Res. No. 13, session of 1876.

Was read a third time and concurred in by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, Brooks, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Dorwin, Dousman, Fink, W. J. Fisk, Field, Flanders, Flinn, Grover, Hamilton, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Kast, Kelly, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Maxwell, McCarty, Mohr, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Ries, Ringle, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shufelt, Spence, Thornton, Touhey, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Casoday—61.

Noes—Mr. McCollum—1.

ASSEMBLY BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

No. 136, A.,

A bill relating to the invention and successful use of steam and other mechanical agents on highways, and amendatory of chapter 104 of the laws of 1875, as amended by chapter 134 of the laws of 1875, as amended by chapter 182 of the laws of 1876.

No. 100, A.,

A bill to amend section 9, of chapter 3, of chapter 184, of the laws of 1874, entitled "an act to consolidate, revise and amend the charter of the city of Milwaukee, approved February 20, 1852, and the several acts amendatory thereof."

No. 322, A.,

A bill relating to the size of the mesh used in trap or pond nets.

No. 286, A.,

A bill relating to the capital of fire and life insurance companies of other states and of foreign governments, desiring to transact business in this state.

No. 359, A.,

A bill relating to the right of way of railroads, and amendatory of section 16, of chapter 119 of the general laws of 1872.

No. 269, A.,

A bill to amend section 32 of chapter 130 of the general laws of 1868, entitled "an act to provide for the assessment of property for taxation and the levy of taxes thereon."

No. 379, A.,

A bill to incorporate the Firemen's Association of the city of Fond du Lac.

No. 31, A.,

A bill to prevent the commission of waste upon lands upon which tax certificates are outstanding and unpaid.

No. 314, A.,

A bill to authorize Philetus Sawyer, Jesse Spaulding and Isaac Stephenson, and their associates, successors, heirs and assigns, to improve that portion of the Menomonee river being in the state of Wisconsin, and above Grand Portage Rapids, for log-driving purposes.

Were each read a third time and passed.

No. 162, A.,

A bill relating to the exemption of earnings of married men and others, and amendatory of chapter 148, laws of 1858.

Bill read a third time and passed. Title amended to read as follows:

"A bill relating to the exemption of a certain portion of the earnings of married men and others, and amendatory of chapter 148, of the general laws of 1858."

No. 276, A.,

A bill to provide for the purchase of 250 copies of Webster's Dictionary.

Was read a third time and passed the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Flinn, Grover, Hamilton, Herron, Hurlburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Kast, Kelly, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Luchsinger, Maxwell, McCollum, McCarty, Mohr, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Ries, Ringle, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Spence, Thornton, Touhey, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—60.

Noes—0.

No. 422, A.,

Was on motion laid aside till Monday evening next.

On motion of Mr. Kinzie,

No. 115, A.,

Was re-committed to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

No. 112, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 41, of the laws of 1873, entitled "an act to amend chapter 224, of the private and local laws of 1871, en-

titled "an act to consolidate and amend the act to incorporate the city of Beaver Dam, and the several acts amendatory thereof." Read first and second times, rules suspended, read a third time and concurred in.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE LAYING
OVER.

No. 103, A.,

A bill providing for the improvement of the vagrant, dependent and vicious children and youths of the state.

Mr. Hamilton offered the following amendment:

Amend section 5 by striking out in the fifth line of printed bill the words "the board shall fix," and all of the lines 6, 7 and 8, (printed bill.)

Adopted, and bill referred to Committee on Claims.

No. 175, A.,

A bill relating to overseers of highways, and highway taxes, and the manner of expending such taxes.

Amendment adopted, and bill re-committed to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

No. 334, A.,

A bill to authorize John T. Kingston, John Smart, Wm. Wook and their associates, to build and maintain a bridge across the Wisconsin river, and authorizing certain towns to grant aid therefor.

Amendment adopted.

Mr. Cash offered the following amendment:

Amend by striking out section one and re-numbering sections.

Amend section 2 so as to read as follows:

Section 2 of chapter 314, of the private and local laws of the year 1867, entitled "an act to incorporate the Pete-en-Well bridge company," is hereby amended so as to read as follows: The said E. C. Sage, Thomas Weston and V. E. Smith, or either of them, are hereby appointed commissioners to receive subscriptions to the capital stock, and shall open a book of subscriptions, at such place as said commissioners may determine, on or before the first day of August, 1877, and may keep such book open during such time as such commissioners may determine upon.

Adopted.

Mr. Spence moved the following amendment:

Amend by adding, at the end of section 5:

And provided further, that such amount so subscribed, shall, including existing indebtedness, not in any case exceed five per centum on the valuation of the respective towns, as appears by the assessment rolls of such towns for the year 1876.

Adopted,

And bill ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 181, A.,

A bill to fix the standard of weights and measures in this state.

No. 48, S.,

A bill to authorize the commissioners of school and university lands to loan a portion of the trust funds of the state to school district No. 7, town of Baraboo, county of Sauk.

No. 133, S.,

A bill to amend section 2, chapter 71, general laws of 1858, entitled "an act for the keeping of insane persons."

With amendments.

No. 302, A.,

A bill to repeal section 39, of chapter 157, of general laws of Wisconsin for 1869, entitled "an act to codify the laws relating to normal schools, and to amend chapter 94, of general laws of 1859, and chapter 116, general laws of 1866."

No. 355, A.,

A bill to authorize the county of Chippewa to aid in the construction of the works of the Eagle Rapids Flooding, Dam and Boom Company.

No. 246, A.,

A bill to amend section 2 of chapter 47 of the general laws of 1871, entitled "an act to amend chapter 107 of the private and local laws of 1867, entitled 'an act to authorize the appointment of a phonographic reporter for the circuit courts of the counties of Milwaukee and Kenosha.'"

No. 12, A.,

A bill to permit tender after action commenced on involuntary trespass and contract.

No. 433, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 96, of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1876, an act entitled "an act in relation to attorneys' fees in justice court."

No. 210, S.,

A bill concerning town boards of review.

No. 161, A.,

A bill relating to the exemption of property from execution, and amendatory of sections 23 and 31, of chapter 134, of Revised Statutes.

No. 65, A.,

A bill relating to the assessment of property for taxation, and the levy of taxes thereon, and amendatory of section 33, of chapter 130, of the laws of 1868.

No. 328, A.,

A bill to amend section 100, of chapter 18, of the Revised Statutes, concerning the collection of delinquent personal property tax.

No. 444, A.,

A bill relating to the preservation of fish in Sugar river.

No. 370, A.,

A bill relating to a dam across Little Wolf river in Waupaca.

No. 241, S.,
A bill to authorize the city of Appleton to issue corporate bonds for bridge purposes.

Each without amendments.

No. 267, A.,

Was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

No. 166, A.,

Amendment adopted, and bill laid aside till Monday evening.

On motion of Mr. Brooks,
The Assembly adjourned.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1877.

7:30 P. M.

Assembly met,

The Speaker in the chair.

The roll was called, and the following members present:

Messrs. Anderson, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, Brooks, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnson, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Knapp, Knowlton, Leavens, Lindsay, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shufelt, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Mr. Speaker Casody—78.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Black, Blakeslee, Dale, Hammel, Innis, Johnston, Linderman, Pope, Shepard, Spence, Stapleton, Wedig—12.

Absent—Messrs. Arnold, Crockett, Dailey, Doxtader, Hamilton, Kinzie, Ries, Rice, Van Waters, Zeiman—10.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted to Messrs. Dailey and Doxtader, indefinitely.

To Mr. Rice till Wednesday morning.

To Mr. Zeiman till Tuesday evening.

To Messrs. Kinzie, Van Waters and Ries till Tuesday morning.

MEMORIALS PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. Grover:

Mem. No. 218, A.,

Petition of 40 citizens of Galesville, asking for the passage of the

bill now pending, No. 124, S., relative to the change in the control of the Gainsville University.

To Special Committee composed of the delegations from the following counties: La Crosse, Jackson, Trempealeau, Buffalo, and Pepin.

By Mr. Grover:

Mem. No. 219, A.,

Remonstrance of August Boll and 24 others, against the passage of the North Wisconsin Railroad exemption bill.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Grover:

Mem. No. 220, A.,

Remonstrance of L. A. Harper, E. A. Moore, and 40 others, against the exemption of North Wisconsin Railroad lands from taxation.

To Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By W. E. Carter:

Jt. Res. No. 29, A.,

WHEREAS, Bill No. 8, A., entitled "a bill to amend chapter 58 of the laws of 1876, relating to foreign wills," has been twice enrolled, signed by the presiding officers of the Senate and Assembly, and approved by the governor; and

WHEREAS, But one such bill has passed the legislature, therefore
Resolved, By the Assembly, the Senate concurring, That the Secretary of State be and he is hereby instructed to publish but one of said copies of said act.

Adopted.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same correctly engrossed:

No. 319, A.,

A bill to authorize the commissioners of school and university lands to loan a portion of the trust funds of the state to the city of Neenah.

No. 158, A.,

A bill for the preservation of fish in the waters of Rock river and Hustisford mill pond, Dodge county.

No. 211, A.,

A bill to amend section 37, of chapter 132, of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of issues, mode of trial, and judgment in civil actions."

No. 160, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 195, of the laws of 1874,

entitled "an act to amend sections 1 and 3, of chapter 275, of the private and local laws of 1869, entitled 'an act for the preservation of fish in Big Green and Little Green lakes.' "

No. 291, A.,

A bill to authorize the common council of the city or Watertown to levy a special tax to pay for engines and bridge.

No. 441, A.,

A bill to require service of notice of application for tax deeds in certain cases.

No. 375, A.,

A bill to declare warehouse receipts negotiable.

No. 285, A.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 299 of the laws of 1873, entitled "an act to amend chapter 56, general laws of 1870, entitled 'an act to provide for the incorporation and government of fire and inland navigation and insurance companies.' "

No. 119, A.,

A bill to repeal section 1 of chapter 266 of the general laws of 1876, relating to cemetery associations and town cemeteries.

No. 436, A.,

A bill providing for the letting of the official printing of Milwaukee county.

No. 362, A.,

A bill to fix the terms of the circuit court of Winnebago county.

No. 170, A.,

A bill to authorize Duncan and Taylor to maintain dams upon Silver Creek and its tributaries, in Taylor and Lincoln counties.

No. 262, A.,

A bill to authorize the city of Racine to levy a special tax.

M. C. No. 9, A.,

Memorial to Congress to provide fishways to the dams on Fox river.

M. C. No. 11, A.,

Memorial to Congress for mail service from Eau Claire to Rice Lake in Barron county.

W. R. HERRON.

Chairman.

The Committee on Town and County Organization have had under consideration the following bill, and report the same back as follows:

No. 124, A.,

A bill for the division of the counties of Clark and Marathon and the erection of the county of Forest.

And recommend indefinite postponement.

H. P. LEAVENS,

Chairman.

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

The Waukesha County Delegation, to whom was referred
No. 68, S.,
A bill to legalize the acts of the Waukesha County Agricultural
Society.

Return the same back with the recommendation that it be con-
curred in.

THOS. McCARTY,
H. F. DOUSMAN,
Committee.

ASSEMBLY BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

No. 180, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money to the governor for the
benefit of the state library, and to repeal chapter 34, general laws
of 1864, and sections one and eight of chapter 26, of Revised
Statutes.

Was ordered read a third time and passed by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Bald-
win, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Car-
ter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Dousman,
Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders,
Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde,
Johnson, Kast, Kelly, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Luchsinger,
Maxwell, Marx, Merrill, Michell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Owen,
Pierce, Phillips, Ringle, Sarnow, Seymour, Scheuber, Shufelt,
Sylvester, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Weeks,
Wyatt, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—64.

Noes—Messrs. Hubbard, Keogh, McCollum, Mc Carty, Roche,
Senn, Wannemaker, Wright—8.

No. 291, A.,

A bill to authorize the common council of the city of Watertown
to levy a special tax to pay for engine and bridge.

Was read a third time and passed.

Title amended to read as follows:

“A bill to authorize the common council of the city of Water-
town to levy a special tax for the purchase of fire engine and en-
gine house and bridge building.”

No. 436, A.,

A bill providing for the letting of the official printing of Milwau-
kee county.

M. C. No. 11, A.,

To Congress for mail services from Eau Claire to Rice Lake, in
Barron county.

M. C. No. 9, A.

To Congress to provide fish ways to the dams on Fox river.

No. 17, A.

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 299 of the laws of 1873, entitled "an act to amend chapter 56, general laws of 1870, entitled 'an act to provide for the incorporation and government of fire and inland navigation insurance companies.'"

No. 18, A.

A bill to amend section 1 of the general laws of 1870, entitled "an act to provide for the incorporation and government of fire and inland navigation insurance companies."

No. 19, A.

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 195 of the laws of 1874,

entitled "an act to provide for the incorporation and government of fire and inland navigation insurance companies."

No. 20, A.

A bill for the preservation of fish in the waters of Rock river and Hocking river, and other purposes.

Was read a third time and passed. The amendment as amended "in the counties of Dodge, Jefferson and Rock" instead of "in Dodge county."

No. 21, A.

A bill to repeal section 1 of chapter 296 of the general laws of 1876, relating to cemetery associations and burial cemeteries.

No. 22, A.

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 195 of the laws of 1874,

No. 441, A.

A bill to require notice of application for tax deeds in certain cases.

No. 275, A.

A bill to declare warehouse receipts negotiable.

No. 285, A.

A bill to amend section one of chapter 299 of the laws of 1873, entitled "an act to amend chapter 56, general laws of 1870, entitled 'an act to provide for the incorporation and government of fire and inland navigation insurance companies.'"

No. 211, A.

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A bill relating to the registration of voters.

Were severally indefinitely postponed.

No. 181, A.,

A bill to fix the standard of weights and measures in this state.

Being substitute for Nos. 181 and 389, A.

Substitute adopted, ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 302, A.,

Was laid aside till Tuesday.

No. 433, A.,

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Amendment adopted and ordered engrossed and read a third time.

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Was taken from File and re-committed to Committee on Judiciary.

No. 245, A.,

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On motion of Mr. Herron,
The Assembly adjourned.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 1877.

Assembly met,

The Speaker in the chair.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Thurringer.

The roll was called, and the following members present:

Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Dale, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnson, Kast, Kelley, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Rice, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—91.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Dailey, Doxtader, and Stapleton—3.

Absent—Messrs. Blakeslee, Crockett, Innis, Johnston, Knowlton, Wedig—6.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted to Messrs. Blakeslee and Innis, till Wednesday morning.

To Mr. Knowlton, indefinitely.

COMMUNICATIONS.

The following communication was received from His Excellency the Governor:

To the Honorable, the Assembly:

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An act to amend chapter 53, of the laws of 1876, relating to foreign wills.

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No. 35, A.,

An act relating to the apportionment of the state into Senate and Assembly districts, and amendatory of chapter 343, of the general laws of 1876.

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An act to enable the county of Jackson to compromise its bonded indebtedness.

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An act to reduce the rate of interest on bonds hereafter issued by the city of Milwaukee, under section 23, chapter 11, laws of 1876.

No. 168, A.,

An act relating to and amendatory of chapter 16, of the private and local laws for the year 1872, entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Eau Claire."

No. 15, A.,

An act relating to the terms of the several circuit courts of the Eleventh judicial circuit, petit jurors therein, and authorizing the employment of a phonographic reporter therein, and fixing the compensation of said reporter.

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An act to prevent the killing or disturbing wild pigeons, while on their brooding grounds.

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An act in relation to the paving of Chestnut street, from Milwaukee river to Fifth street, in the second ward of the city of Milwaukee.

No. 347, A.,

An act to amend chapter 254 of the private and local laws of 1868, and the several acts amendatory thereof, being the act revising and consolidating, and the act amending the charter of the city of Sheboygan, and to repeal chapter 111 of the laws of 1875.

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An act to incorporate the city of Darlington.

M. C. No. 10, A.,

Memorial to Congress for the enactment of laws for the improvement of the condition of the Oneida Tribe of Indians, located on the reservation in the counties of Brown and Outagamie, and in the interest of civilization and humanity.

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Memorial to Congress for the establishment of a mail route from Barron, the county seat of Barron county, Wisconsin, to the village of Sand creek, in Dunn county, Wisconsin, via Mooney's Mills, Sylvan Springs and Sioux Creek.

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An act to establish the school districts of the city of Shawano and to regulate its boundaries.

No. 19, A.,

An act to legalize the proceedings of school district No. 1, town of El Paso, Pierce county.

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An act to provide for an abstract of tax titles in the county of Waushara, and amendatory of chapter 123, of the private and local laws of 1867.

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An act to legalize the official acts of Ed. F. Carpenter as notary public for Rock county.

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An act to regulate the times of holding the circuit court in Portage county.

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An act to appropriate to George B. Smith and William F. Vilas, a sum of money therein named.

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An act relating to the geological survey of the State of Wisconsin, and amendatory of chapter 292 of the general laws of 1873, entitled "an act to provide for a complete geological survey of Wisconsin, and to repeal chapter 137 of the general laws of 1870, entitled 'an act to provide for a survey of the lead district, making maps and collecting statistics from the same,' and chapter 136 of the general laws of 1872, amendatory thereof."

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A bill to fix the terms of the circuit court of Winnebago county.

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A bill to authorize the city of Racine to levy a special tax.

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No. 158, A.,

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SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

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On motion of Mr. Pope,

The rules were suspended, bill read three several times and concurred in.

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No. 343, A.,

A bill relating to the State Historical Society.

No. 223, A.,

A bill relating to the partition of real estate, and amendatory of chapter 142 of the Revised Statutes.

The Senate amendments to each were concurred in.

ASSEMBLY BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

No. 2, A.,

A bill relating to hawkers and dealers, and amendatory of section 3, of chapter 395, of the laws of 1876.

The amendment reported by the Judiciary Committee, as follows: Amend section 3 by striking out the words "having a legal residence in the state," in the seventh and eighth lines of said section.

Was adopted, bill read a third time and passed.

No. 365, A.,

A bill amendatory of and supplementary to the charter of the city of Milwaukee.

Was recommitted to the Milwaukee County Delegation.

On motion of Mr. Pope, the vote by which No. 210, S., was indefinitely postponed yesterday, was reconsidered, and bill re-committed to the Committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. W. E. Carter,

No. 37, S.,

A bill in relation to the appointment of notaries public, and amendatory of chapter 12, of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of notaries public."

Was taken from the File, substitute adopted, read a third time, and concurred in.

No. 122, S.,

A bill to amend section 2, chapter 71, general laws of 1858, entitled "an act for the keeping of insane persons."

Was on motion of Mr. W. E. Carter, and by unanimous consent of the Assembly, taken from the table, and recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary.

No. 166, A.,

A bill for the better organization of the militia of the State of Wisconsin.

Was referred to Committee on Claims.

On motion of Mr. Leavens.

No. 319, A.,

Was taken from File, rules suspended and amendment adopted; read a third time and passed; title amended to read as follows:

"A bill to authorize the commissioners of school and university lands to loan a portion of the trust funds of the state to the city of Neenah, Winnebago county."

On motion of Mr. McCarty.

Mem. No. 1, A.,

Was withdrawn from the Committee on Railroads and recommitted to the Committee on State Affairs.

On motion of Mr. Vincent, the vote by which

No. 355, A.,

Was indefinitely postponed yesterday, was reconsidered and bill recommitted to a committee composed of the delegations from the following counties: Chippewa, Eau Claire, Pepin and Buffalo.

Mr. Leavens moved that

No. 30, S.,

Be taken from the table, and recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary.

Lost.

SENATE BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

Jt. Res. No. 5, S.,

Ratifying and agreeing to Jt. Res. No. 7, adopted by the legislature of 1876, proposing an amendment to section 2, of article VII. of the constitution of the state.

Was read a third time and concurred in by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Dale, Deland, Dixon, Doxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Gray, Greening, Götze, Hamilton, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnson, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall,

Walker, Wannemaker, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—84.

Noes—Mr. Carmichael—1

No. 48, S.,

A bill to authorize the commissioners of school and university lands to loan a portion of the trust funds of the state to school district No. 7, town of Baraboo, county of Sauk.

No. 131, S.,

A bill to authorize the town of Necedah, in the county of Juneau, to appropriate a certain sum of money to aid in the construction of the Necedah and Camp Douglas railroad,

Were each read a third time and each concurred in by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Dale, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Herron, Hull, Hurburt, Hyde, Johnson, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhouser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Van Waters, Walker, Wannemaker, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—86.

Noes—0.

No. 99, S.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 92, of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act for the preservation of duck and other wild fowl."

No. 241, S.,

A bill to authorize the city of Appleton to issue corporate bonds for bridge purposes.

No. 206, S.,

A bill authorizing and requiring the farm mortgage land commissioners appointed under chapter 446, of the private and local laws of 1868, to extend the benefits of said act to certain other parties equitably entitled thereto.

No. 190, S.,

A bill to amend sections 6 and 8, chapter 93, of the general laws of 1870, entitled "an act for the improvement and raising of stock."

No. 110, S.,

A bill relating to apportioning the bonded indebtedness of the town of Jefferson, in Jefferson county, and amendatory of section 2, of chapter 12, laws of 1874.

Were severally read a third time and concurred in.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE LAYING
OVER CONSIDERED.

No. 302, A.,

A bill to repeal section 39, of chapter 157, of general laws of Wisconsin for 1869, entitled "an act to codify the laws relating to normal schools, and to amend chapter 94, of general laws of 1859, and chapter 116, general laws of 1866."

No. 117, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 83, of the private and local laws of 1875, relating to Watertown railroad debt.

Were each indefinitely postponed.

No. 65, A.,

A bill relating to the assessment of property for taxation, and the levy of taxes thereon, and amendatory of section 33, of chapter 130, of the laws of 1868.

Was recommitted to Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

No. 99, A.,

A bill to provide for the establishment of a hospital and school for imbecile, idiotic or feeble-minded children.

Substitute adopted and ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Bailey,
The Assembly resolved itself into a

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

On the General File of bills,
Mr. Hubbard in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman reported as follows:

MR. SPEAKER:—The Assembly, in Committee of the Whole, has had under consideration the General File of Bills, has made no progress therein, and has instructed me to report the same back to the Assembly for its consideration, and ask leave to sit again.

On motion of Mr. H. J. Fisk,
The Assembly adjourned until 7:30 o'clock this evening.

7:30 P. M.

Assembly met,
The Speaker in the chair.
The roll was called and the following members present:
Messrs. Anderson, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter,

W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Götze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—90.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Abell, Blakeslee, Dailey, Innis, Knowlton, Stapleton—6.

Absent—Messrs. Dousman, Vincent, Wedig, Weeks—4.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted to Mr. Weeks for one hour.

To Mr. Newman indefinitely.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. H. J. Fisk :

Res. No. 47, A.,

Resolved, That the Committees of the Assembly, both standing and special, be, and they are hereby required to report to the Assembly, on or before Friday, March 2d, all bills, memorials, petitions and communications referred to such committees by order of the Assembly, and that all such matters so reported be referred to the General File.

Adopted.

By Mr. Keogh :

Res. No. 48, A.,

Resolved, That bill No. 365. A., be returned to the Senate for action by that body.

Adopted.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Judiciary have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows:

No. 11, S.,

A bill relating to cemetery associations.

No. 49, S.,

A bill to authorize the commissioners of school and university lands to loan a portion of the trust funds of the state to the county of Polk.

No. 105, S.,

A bill relating to issuing tax deeds upon certain lands sold for taxes, in Jackson county, but now in Wood county,

No. 170, S.,

A bill to empower the board of trustees of any incorporated village, or the common council of any city, to prescribe the duties and qualifications of street commissioners.

No. 83, S.,

A bill relating to the foreclosure of mortgages, and amendatory of chapter 145, of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of actions for the foreclosure of a mortgage" and the acts amendatory thereof.

Without amendments, and concurrence recommended.

No. 148, A.,

A bill in relation to insane and idiotic persons, and the disposition of their property.

No. 267, A.,

A bill to prevent excessive taxation by towns, villages or cities. And recommend that each of the bills be indefinitely postponed.

No. 182, S.,

A bill relating to loans of school and university trust funds to school districts, and amendatory of section 5, chapter 42, of the general laws of 1871.

No. 134, S.,

A bill concerning the acknowledgement of certain deeds.

No. 136, S.,

A bill relating to the trial of certain criminal cases.

No. 185, S.,

A bill to submit to the people an amendment to section 2 of article 7, of the constitution of this state.

Each of said bills with amendments, and concurrence recommended when so amended.

CARL C. POPE,
Chairman.

The Committee on Town and County Organization have had under consideration the following bills and report the same back as follows:

No. 373, A.,

A bill to detach a portion of the city of Neenah, and attach the same to the city of Menasha.

With substitute, and recommend its passage.

H. P. LEAVENS,
Chairman.

The Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes have had under consideration the following bill, and report the same back as follows:

No. 386, A.,

A bill to exempt the lands of the North Wisconsin Railway Company from taxation.

And have instructed me to report the same back (together with the remonstrances against the passage of said bill), with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

D. P. HULL,
Chairman.

The Committee on Lumber and Manufactures have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows:

No. 358, A.,

A bill to repeat chapter 275, of the laws of 1873, entitled "an act to authorize Leonis Zorinas to build and maintain a dam across Moose river in the county of Douglas."

And recommend its indefinite postponement.

E. BURNETT,
Chairman.

The Committee on Roads and Bridges have had under consideration the following bills and report the same back as follows:

No. 132, S.,

A bill to lay out and establish a state road, from the town of Hancock, Waushara county, to the town of Strong's Prairie in Adams county.

With an amendment, and recommend its passage when so amended.

No. 424, A.,

A bill to provide for laying out and establishing a state road from the village of Stockholm, in Pepin county, to Rock Elm Center, in Pierce county, *via* Plum City.

With a recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

No. 175, A.,

A bill relating to overseers of highways, and highway taxes, and the manner of expending such taxes.

With a recommendation that it be amended, and when so amended it do pass.

S. J. SEYMOUR,
Chairman.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same correctly engrossed:

No. 414, A.,

A bill relating to railroads, and amendatory of section 7, chapter 57, of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1876.

No. 366, A.,

A bill relating to a dam across the Little Wolf river in Waupaca

county and amendatory of section 4, of chapter 159, of the laws of Wisconsin, for the year 1876.

No. 440, A.,

A bill to regulate the bringing of actions for penalties and appeals therein.

No. 231, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 364, of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act to in relation to sheriffs' fees."

No. 190, A.,

A bill relating to and amendatory of section 1, chapter 38, laws 1874, entitled "an act to ascertain annually the number of acres of the principal farm products of the state."

No. 421, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 26, of the general laws of 1871, relating to town and town officers.

No. 271, A.,

A bill for the preservation of fish in Waukesha county.

W. R. HERRON,
Chairman.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

The Special Committee, consisting of Mr. Kelly, has had under consideration the following bill, and reports the same back as follows:

No. 168, S.,

A bill to amend an act entitled "an act to amend chapter 262, of the laws of 1875, and to amend an act entitled 'an act to revise, consolidate and amend an act to incorporate the city of Green Bay,' and the several acts amendatory thereof," approved March 8, 1875.

With amendments, and recommends the concurrence in the same when amended.

D. M. KELLY,
Committee.

The Winnebago County Delegation have had under consideration the following bill, and report the same back as follows:

No. 318, A.,

A bill relating to the charter of the city of Menasha, and amendatory of chapter 127 of the laws of 1874, and chapter 343 of the laws of 1875.

With amendments, and recommend its passage when so amended.

H. P. LEAVENS,
Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Leavens, the vote by which No. 319, A., was passed this morning, was reconsidered.

Mr. W. E. Carter offered the following amendment:

Amend section 3 by striking out the word "average" in the 4th line of printed bill. Also strike out the word "two" before the word "assessment" in 5th line of printed bill, and the letter "s" from the end of word "rolls" in the 5th line of printed bill.

Which was apopted.

Rules suspended, bill read a third time and passed by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Gøtze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luschhsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Van Watters, Walker, Wannemaker, Weeks, Wright, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassody—88.

On motion of Mr. P. Baldwin, the vote by which No. 128, A., was indefinitely postponed to-day, was reconsidered, and the Assembly refused to concur in the Senate amendment.

On motion of Mr. Keogh, the vote by which No. 365, A., was to-day recommitted to the Milwaukee County Delegation, was reconsidered.

On motion of Mr. Earnest, No. 381, A., was with withdrawn from the Committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions, and recommitted to the Committee on Medical Societies.

On motion of Mr. Weeks, No. 303, A., was withdrawn from the Committee on Roads and Bridges, and recommitted to Committee of One for perfection (Mr. Weeks).

On motion of Mr. Leavens

The Assembly resolved itself into a

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

On the General File of Bills,

Mr. Hubbard in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the Committee rose, and through their chairman reported as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: The Assembly, in Committee of the Whole, has had under consideration the General File of Bills, has gone through with the same, and has instructed me to report the following bills to the Assembly for its consideration:

No. 340, A.,

A bill in relation to the release of dower in real estate by insane persons.

No. 261, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 278, laws of 1874, entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Shawano."

No. 373, A.,

A bill to detach a portion of the city of Neenah and attach the same to the city of Menasha.

No. 49, S.,

A bill to authorize the commissioners of school and university lands to loan a portion of the trust funds of the state to the county of Polk.

No. 136, S.,

A bill relating to the trial of certain criminal cases.

No. 168, S.,

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to amend chapter 262, of the laws of 1875, and to amend an act entitled an act to revise, consolidate and amend an act to incorporate the city of Green Bay, and the several acts amendatory thereof, approved March 8, 1875.

No. 182, S.,

A bill relating to loans of school and university trust funds to school districts, and amendatory of section 5, chapter 42 of the general laws of 1871.

No. 185, S.,

A bill to submit to the people an amendment to section 2, of article 8, of the constitution of this state.

No. 134, S.,

A bill concerning the acknowledgment of certain deeds.

No. 427, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 121, of the general laws of 1856, entitled "an act concerning railroads."

No. 318, A.,

A bill relating to the charter of the city of Menasha, and amendatory of chapter 127, laws of 1874, and chapter 343, laws of 1875.

No. 132, S.,

A bill to lay out and establish a state road from the town of Hancock, Waushara county, to the town of Strong's Prairie, in Adams county.

Each with amendments.

No. 213, A.,

A bill to authorize a record of title to real estate in heirs of real estate.

No. 367, A.,

A bill declaratory of the intent and meaning of chapter 123, laws of 1875, entitled "an act to provide for the incorporation of trustees to hold property for religious purposes in certain cases," and chapter 411, laws of 1876, entitled "an act to provide for the incorporation of religious societies" and of other acts.

No. 392, A.,

A bill to appropriate to St. Luke's Hospital, of Racine, five hundred dollars.

No. 394, A.,

A bill making appropriations to agricultural societies and industrial societies.

No. 420, A.,

A bill in relation to tax deeds and amendatory of chapter 181, general laws of 1872, entitled "an act to amend section one of chapter 44, general laws of 1870, entitled 'an act to amend section one of chapter 113 of the general laws of 1857.'"

No. 425, A.,

A bill to authorize the county board of supervisors of the county of Adams to sell and dispose of all the lands owned by said county for the purpose therein set forth.

No. 437, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the Home of the Friendless, at Fond du Lac, a sum of money therein named.

No. 67, S.,

A bill to amend section 6, of chapter 165 of the laws of Wisconsin of 1874, entitled "an act to secure the safe navigation of the Wisconsin river."

No. 129, S.,

A bill to authorize the town of Ahnapee to build and maintain a bridge across Ahnapee river.

No. 265, A.,

A bill to authorize James Hewitt to maintain a dam across Wedge's Creek in Clark county, Wisconsin.

No. 177, A.,

A bill to improve the Cunningham creek in Clark county, Wisconsin, and to grant to Chauncey Blakeslee, his successors or assigns, certain powers and privileges therein named.

No. 124, A.,

A bill for the division of the counties of Clark and Marathon, and for the erection of the county of Forest.

No. 68, S.,

A bill to legalize the acts of the Waukesha County Agricultural Society.

No. 216, A.,

A bill to amend section 6 of chapter 67, general laws of 1871, entitled "an act to protect and encourage the raising of sheep, and discourage the raising of dogs."

No. 148, A.,

A bill to appropriate to George B. Smith and William Vilas, the sum of money therein mentioned.

No. 146, S.,

A bill to provide for the alteration and the discontinuance of portions of the state road from Black River Falls in Jackson county, to the city of La Crosse, in La Crosse county.

No. 331, A.,

A bill to exempt the lands of Cornell University from taxation.

No. 361, A.,

A bill to provide for the punishment of certain offenses against log-owners on Wolf river and its tributaries.

No. 139, S.,

A bill relating to the Madison Mutual Insurance Company and amendatory of chapter 329, private and local laws of 1863.

No. 293, A.,

A bill to repeal sections 61 and 62 of chapter 188 of the general laws of 1872, "of the incorporation of villages." Also to repeal section seven, chapter 240, laws of 1876, "to authorize village boards to lay out streets, etc."

M. C., No. 12, A.,

To Congress for a survey of Wolf river, from lake Poygan to the mouth of Red river.

No. 451, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money therein named.

No. 290, A.,

A bill relating to repeal of section seven, of chapter two, of the charter of the city of Watertown, relating to officers, and amending the same.

No. 263, A.,

A bill relating to and amendatory of chapter 313, of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act to revise, consolidate and amend the charter of the city of Racine," approved August 8, 1848, and the several acts amendatory thereof.

No. 36, S.,

A bill to amend sections 5 and 8, of chapter 153, of the laws of 1876, relating to the corporation of fire departments in unincorporated villages.

No. 102, S.,

A bill to amend and add to an act entitled "an act to consolidate chapter 49 of the private and local laws of 1855, entitled 'an act to incorporate the village of Madison into a separate school district,' and all acts amendatory thereof," being chapter 203, of the private and local laws of 1867.

No. 431, A.,

A bill to change the name of William Richard Clancy, and to legalize certain acts.

No. 178, A.,

A bill to extend the time for the construction of the North Wisconsin Railway, and to waive the forfeiture therein referred to.

No. 438, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Peter Salentine a sum of money therein named.

No. 439, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Henry Fink a sum of money therein named.

No. 28, A.,

A bill to compel the specific performance of written contracts between landlord and tenant in certain cases.

No. 212, A.,

A bill relating to the manner of commencing actions and to amend section 7 of chapter 124 of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of the manner of commencing civil actions."

No. 267, A.,

A bill to prevent excessive taxation by towns, villages or cities.

No. 11, S.,

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the town of Kinnickinnic, in St. Croix county.

No. 83, S.,

A bill relating to the foreclosure of mortgages, and amendatory of chapter 145, of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of actions for the foreclosure of a mortgage," and the acts amendatory thereof.

No. 386, A.,

A bill to exempt the lands of the North Wisconsin Railway Company from taxation.

No. 424, A.,

A bill to provide for laying out and establishing a state road from the village of Stockholm, in Pepin county, to Rock Elm Center, in Pierce county, *via* Plum City.

No. 170, S.,

A bill to empower the board of trustees of any incorporated village, or the common council of any city, to prescribe the duties and qualifications of street commissioners.

No. 105, S.,

A bill relating to the assessment and collection of taxes, and issuing of tax deeds in Jackson county.

No. 358, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 275, of the laws of 1873, entitled "an act to authorize Lewis Forinus to build and maintain a dam across Moose river, in the county of Douglas."

Each without amendment

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Joint Committee on Claims has had under consideration the following bills.

No. 395, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the Milwaukee Industrial school a sum of money.

No. 396, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the St. Rose's Orphan Asylum, of Milwaukee a sum of money.

No. 397, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the Home of the Friendless a sum of money.

No. 398, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the St. Emilianus Orphan Asylum, of Milwaukee a sum of money.

No. 399, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the St. Joseph's Orphan Asylum, of Milwaukee, a sum of money.

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No. 400, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the Orphan Association of Milwaukee a sum of money.

No. 401, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the St. John's Home of Milwaukee a sum of money.

No. 404, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the St. Nazian's society of the county of Manitowoc a sum of money.

No. 415, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the Cadle Home of Green Bay, a sum of money.

No. 429, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the Sailors' Bethel Home of Milwaukee, a sum of money.

No. 447, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the Free Religious Association of Milwaukee a sum of money.

Mem. No. 102, A.,

A memorial in behalf of the Sailors' Home of Milwaukee

And report said bills back with the recommendation that these several bills be indefinitely postponed.

And report a bill

No. 454, A.,

To appropriate two hundred and fifty-five dollars to Jno. M. Bowman, Wm. Vroman and T. Brown.

And recommend its passage.

JOHN LUCHSINGER,
Chairman.

The Committee on Enrolled Bills have examined and find correctly enrolled the following bills:

No. 173, A.,

A bill to incorporate the city of Chilton.

No. 66, A.,

A bill relating to public printing, and amendatory of section 28, chapter 243, of the general laws of 1874.

No. 274, A.,

A bill to authorize the county boards of supervisors of Milwaukee county, to levy a special tax for the payment of county bonds which become due in 1880.

No. 59, A.,

A bill relating to witness fees in courts of record, and amendatory of chapter 146, of general laws of 1869.

No. 251, A.,

A bill relating to the registering of the names of persons who have heretofore, or may hereafter declare their intentions to become citizens, or who have been, or may hereafter be admitted to become citizens of the United States of America, and amendatory of chapter 60, laws of 1866.

No. 72, A.,

A bill relating to liens for labor upon logs and timber in Chippewa Taylor and Lincoln counties, and amendatory of section 1, of chapter 372 of the general laws of 1876, entitled "an act to amend sections 1 and 12, of chapter 186 of the general law of 1861, "and also to repeal chapter 161, of the laws of 1874, entitled "an act to amend chapter 186, of the general laws of 1861."

No. 164, A.,

A bill to authorize the city of Racine to appropriate certain moneys.

JOHN J. SENN,
Chairman.

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

The Select Committee, consisting of Messrs. Spence, Arnot and Walker, to whom was referred

No. 452, A.,

A bill to revise, consolidate and amend the charter of the city of Stevens Point, approved May 17, 1858, and the several acts amendatory thereof.

Report the same back with amendments, and recommend the passage of the bill when amended.

T. W. SPENCE,
Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Spence, No. 452, A., was taken from File, rules suspended, amendments adopted, bill read a third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Deland,
The Assembly adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1877.

Assembly met,

The Speaker in the chair.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Thurringer.

The roll was called, and the following members present:

Messrs. Anderson, Arnold, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelley, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—94.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Abell, Stapleton—2.

Absent—Messrs. Blakeslee, Luchsinger, Vincent, Wedig—4.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted to Messrs. Bailey and Blakeslee indefinitely.
To Mr. Vincent till Thursday.

MEMORIALS PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. Vance:

Mem. No. 223, A.,

A petition of one hundred citizens of Milwaukee, for the passage of bill No. 368, A., to provide for examination and licensing of mechanical engineers.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Hyde:

Res. No. 49, A.,

Resolved, That the use of the Assembly chamber be and is hereby

tendered to John W. Hinton, Esq., of Milwaukee, on Friday afternoon, March 2d, for the purpose of delivering a lecture.

Adopted.

By Mr. H. J. Fisk:

Res. No. 50, A.,

Resolved, That all Committees, except the Committees on Enrolled Bills and Engrossed Bills, be and they are hereby required to report to the Assembly, on or before Saturday, March 3d, 1877, all bills, memorials, petitions, and communications referred to such committees by order of Assembly, and that have not been reported, and that all such matters so reported be referred to the General File.

Laid aside till Friday, 2d March.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 27, A.,

Authorizing the state treasurer to refund to the Mineral Point Railroad company the amount paid in 1876 by said company in excess of the license fees required by law.

Was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Luchsinger,

The vote by which said resolution was adopted was reconsidered, and resolution laid on the table.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Public Improvement have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows:

No. 147, A.,

A bill relating to and amendatory of section 3 of chapter 299 of the private and local laws of the year 1870, entitled "an act to define certain rights and duties of the Beef Slough Manufacturing, Booming, Log Driving and Transportation Company.

Report the same back with amendment and recommend its passage when so amended.

SAMUEL. BLACK,

Chairman.

The Committee on Agriculture, have had under consideration the following bill, and report the same back as follows:

A bill repealing chapter 385 of the laws of 1876, relating to a state road from Jenny, in Lincoln county, to Westboro, in Taylor county.

Report the same back with the recommendation that it be concurred in.

W. T. BROOKS,

Chairman.

The Committee on Lumber and Manufactures have had under consideration the following bill, and report the same back as follows:

No. 33, S.,

A bill relating to the Namekagon and Totogatic Dam Company, and amendatory of chapter 452 of private and local laws of Wisconsin for 1869, and the several acts amendatory thereof.

And recommend its concurrence.

E. BURNETT,
Chairman.

The Joint Committee on Printing have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows:

No. 112, A.,

A bill to provide for the purchase of paper required for public printing and blank books, amendatory of section 1, of chapter 230, of the laws of 1874.

And recommend its passage.

No. 114, A.,

A bill relating to public printing, amendatory of section 16, of chapter 243, of the laws of 1874.

With an amendment, and recommend its passage when so amended.

No. 217, A.,

A bill for the publication of delinquent tax lists.

No. 353, A.,

A bill to provide for the letting of the tax list printing, in the several counties of this state, to the lowest bidder.

And recommend that they severally be indefinitely postponed.

S. W. PIERCE,
Assembly.
SAM. S. FIFIELD,
Senate.

The Committee on Insurance, Banks and Banking report

No. 304, A.,

With sundry amendments, and recommends its passage so amended.

D. VANCE,
Chairman.

The Judiciary Committee to whom was referred

No. 1, A.,

A bill to authorize the town of Mukwa, in the county of Waupaca, to issue its corporate bonds to settle its indebtedness to Geo. T. Hammond and Sophia C. Hammond.

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me

to report the same back to the Assembly with the recommendation that the Senate amendment to the said bill be not concurred in.

CARL C. POPE,
Chairman.

The Committee on Agriculture, have had under consideration the following bills, with substitute, and report the same back as follows:

No. 52, S.,

A bill to provide for the protection of game in the county of Burnett.

No. 25, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 129, of the laws of 1875, entitled "an act to amend section 3 of chapter 78, of the general laws of 1867, entitled 'an act for the protection of game.'"

Report said bills back with the recommendation that they be concurred in.

W. F. BROOKS,
Chairman.

The Committee on Enrolled Bills have examined and find correctly engrossed the following bills:

No. 58, A.,

A bill for the limitation of tax certificates owned by counties and municipal corporations.

No. 273, A.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 253 of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act to provide for the support of the poor of Milwaukee county."

No. 230, A.,

A bill to increase the amount of the official bond of the clerk of the circuit court for Milwaukee county.

No. 111, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of Wayne B. Dyer, a justice of the peace in the village of Durand and county of Pepin.

No. 129, A.,

A bill regulating the salary of the county judge of Milwaukee county.

No. 301, A.,

A bill to authorize the levy of a special tax in the ninth and tenth wards of the city of Milwaukee for the purchase of a public park.

No. 118, A.,

A bill relating to town insurance companies.

No. 98, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the fish commissioners of the State of Wisconsin a sum of money therein named.

JOHN J. SENN,
Chairman.

REPORT OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

The Select Committee to whom was referred
No. 124, S.,

A bill appointing four trustees for the Galesville University, and authorizing the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, to appoint eight trustees therefor, also repealing section one (1), of chapter eleven (11), of the private and local laws of 1862, and chapter 259, of the private and local laws of 1870.

Have had the same under consideration, and respectfully report the same back and recommend that it be concurred in, and assign the following as reasons for the same, to wit:

First. The institution was chartered in 1854 (chapter 296). Property donated by its founder, the late Judge Gale, which, together with other donations, are valued at the present time at \$50,000.

Second. Buildings were built and the school started in 1860. In 1862, by chapter 11 of private and local laws of that year, the M. E. Church, through the acts of the Northwest Conference, were empowered to appoint eight trustees, thus putting it in the hands of the said conference.

Third. By act of the M. E. Church, this conference was abolished and became merged in the West Wisconsin Conference of the M. E. Church, and by act of 1870, the institution was placed under the control of this last named conference.

That the original act of incorporation conferred no powers, nor conveyed any title in the property to the M. E. Church or any other denomination.

That all the privileges conveyed to the M. E. Church were delegated by the last two named acts, and that no vested rights attain thereby; that the same power (to-wit, the legislature) that granted these rights or privileges can alter or repeal the same; that after having controll of the institution for fourteen years it has become apparent and certain that the said church does not find it to their advantage to endow the institution.

That many citizens in Trempealeau county, irrespective of political or religious preference, are favorable to a change in the control of the institution. That the same holds true of all well-wishers of the cause of education in the northwest, so far as this committee can learn, with the exception of the presiding elders of this district, and that there appears to be no reason for their objections, only that it is against the wishes of the donors, and that the Methodists have vested rights that can not be taken from them, which this committee think has been hereinbefore answered.

That the board of trustees, by a majority vote, passed a resolution to the effect that the legislature be requested to pass an act taking the control of this institution from the hands of the Methodists, and that it be placed under the control of the Presbyterians or any other evangelical church that would give it material aid; that the Presbyterian church stand ready to give it this aid, and that the whole of the home board together with the heirs of

the late Judge Gale, are in favor of the bill and believe it to be the only and best thing that can be done for the institution in its present emergency.

That there are other and cogent reasons for this change, that it is not necessary here to state.

That a bill so local in its nature, and for which the people are so unanimous in its support, should not meet with any opposition from the lovers of education and good government.

WM. VAN WATERS,
Chairman.

The Select Committee to whom was referred
No. 298, A.,

A bill to require Christian Burkhardt, his heirs and assigns, to sluice logs through a certain dam on Willow River, now owned by him, and to authorize the collection of tolls for such sluicing.

Have had the same under consideration, and report the same back with the recommendation that it do pass.

GUY W. DAILEY,
Committee.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

No. 94, A.,

Having being returned to the Assembly by his excellency, the governor, without his approval,

The question being, shall the bill pass, notwithstanding the objection of the governor.

The objection of the governor was sustained by the following vote:

Noes—Messrs. Anderson, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Gœtze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shufelt, Spence, Sylvester, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassody—90.

Ayes—0.

Mr. Kelly moved that No. 30, S., be taken from the table.

Mr. Spence arose to a point of order, which was that, as the same motion had been made once it could not be again renewed.

The speaker ruled the point of order well taken, and decided the motion out of order.

On motion of Mr. Hildner.

The motion which J. Res. No. 47, A. was adopted yesterday, was reconsidered, and the bill recommitted to select committee of one for perfection. Mr. H. J. Fisk.

On motion of Mr. McGarry, No. 231, A. was taken from File of bills reported by Committee of the Whole, and recommitted to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

On motion of Mr. Pyle, No. 236, A. was taken from General File and recommitted to Committee on Judiciary.

On motion, No. 1, A. was taken from File.

Mr. Spence offered the following amendment to Senate amendment:

Amend by adding after the word "Hammond," where it first occurs in the 2d line of section 4, of printed amendment, the words "Sophia C. Hammond," and by adding "Sophia C. Hammond" after the words "George F. Hammond," where they second occur in said line 2 of section 2.

Which was adopted, and amendment as amended concurred in.

ASSEMBLY BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

No. 199, A.,

A bill relating to and amendatory of section 1, chapter 38, laws of 1874, entitled "an act to ascertain annually the number of acres of the principal farm products of the state."

Was read a third time and passed, and title amended to read as follows:

"A bill relating to, and amendatory of section 1, chapter 38, laws of 1874, entitled 'an act to ascertain, annually, the number of the principal farm products of the state.'"

No. 421, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 26, of the general laws of 1871, relating to towns and town officers.

No. 366, A.,

A bill relating to a dam across Little Wolf river in Waupaca county, and amendatory of section 4, chapter 159, of the laws of Wisconsin for 1876.

No. 440, A.,

A bill relating to the bringing of actions for penalties, and appeals therein.

No. 414, A.,

A bill relating to railroads, and amendatory of section 7, chapter 57, of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1876.

No. 271, A.,

A bill for the preservation of fish in Waukesha county.

No. 231, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 364 of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act in relation to sheriff's fees."

Were severally read a third time and passed.

BILLS REPORTED BY THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
LAYING OVER CONSIDERED.

No. 340, A.,

A bill in relation to the release of dower in real estate by insane persons.

No. 261, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 278, laws of 1874, entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Shawano."

No. 373, A.,

A bill to detach a portion of the city of Neenah and attach the same to the city of Menasha.

No. 318, A.,

A bill relating to the charter of the city of Menasha, and amendatory of chapter 127 of the laws of 1874, and chapter 343 of the laws of 1875.

No. 427, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 121, of the general laws of 1856, entitled "an act concerning railroads."

Amendments to each were adopted, and each ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 431, A.,

A bill to change the name of William Richard Clancy, and to legalize certain acts.

No. 178, A.,

A bill to extend the time for the construction of the North Wisconsin Railway, and to waive the forfeiture therein referred to.

No. 265, A.,

A bill to authorize James Hewitt to maintain a dam across Wedge's Creek, in Clark county, Wisconsin.

No. 177, A.,

A bill to improve Cunningham creek, in Clark county, Wisconsin, and to grant to Chauncey Blakeslee, his successors or assigns, certain powers and privileges therein named.

M. C. No. 12, A.,

To Congress for a survey of Wolf river, from lake Poygan to the mouth of Red river.

Were severally ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 425, A.,

A bill to authorize the county board of supervisors of the county of Adams to sell and dispose of all the lands owned by said county for the purpose therein set forth.

Mr. Pope offered the following amendment:

Strike out section 3 and re-numbering the other sections.

Adopted, and bill ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 175, A.,

A bill relating to overseers of highways, and highway taxes, and the manner of expending such taxes.

Mr. Brooks offered the following amendment to section six:

Add at end of section: "*provided*, that this act shall not apply to the county of Fond du Lac."

On motion of Mr. Hubbard the amendment and bill were tabled.

No. 49, S.,

A bill to authorize the commissioners of school and university lands to loan a portion of the trust funds of the state to the county of Polk.

Senate amendment concurred in.

Mr. Pope offered the following amendment:

Amend section 1 of bill by adding to said section the following proviso: "*provided*, that the amount of said bonds, including existing indebtedness, shall not exceed in the aggregate five per centum on the value of the taxable property of said county, to be ascertained by the last assessment for state and county taxes previous to the issue of said bonds."

Adopted, and bill ordered read a third time.

No. 136, S.,

A bill relating to the trial of certain criminal cases.

No. 168, S.,

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to amend chapter 262 of the laws of 1875, and to amend an act entitled an act to revise, consolidate and amend an act to incorporate the city of Green Bay, and the several acts amendatory thereof, approved March 8, 1875.

No. 182, S.,

A bill relating to loans of school and university trust funds to school districts, and amendatory of section 5, chapter 42 of the general laws of 1871.

No. 185, S.,

A bill to submit to the people an amendment to section 2 of article 8, of the constitution of this state.

No. 134, S.,

A bill concerning the acknowledgment of certain deeds.

Were severally ordered read a third time.

No. 132, S.,

A bill to lay out and establish a state road from the town of Hancock, Waushara county, to the town of Strong's Prairie, in Adams county.

On motion of Mr. Pierce the rules were suspended, Senate amendments adopted; bill read a third time and concurred in as amended.

No. 105, S.,

A bill relating to issuing tax deeds upon certain lands sold for taxes, in Jackson county, but now in Wood county.

No. 11, S.,

A bill relating to cemetery associations.

No. 170, S.,

A bill to empower the board of trustees of any incorporated village, or the common council of any city, to prescribe the duties and qualifications of street commissioners.

No. 83, S.,

A bill relating to the foreclosure of mortgages, and amendatory

of chapter 145, of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of actions for the foreclosure of a mortgage" and the acts amendatory thereof.

Without amendments, and concurrence recommended.

No. 68, S.,

A bill to legalize the acts of the Waukesha County Agricultural Society.

No. 129, S.,

A bill to authorize the town of Ahnapee to build and maintain a bridge across Ahnapee river.

No. 67, S.,

A bill to amend section 6, of chapter 165, of the laws of Wisconsin of 1874, entitled "an act to secure the safe navigation of the Wisconsin river."

No. 146, S.,

A bill to provide for the alteration and the discontinuance of portions of the state road from Black River Falls, in Jackson county, to the city of La Crosse, in La Crosse county.

No. 139, S.,

A bill relating to the Madison Mutual Insurance Company and amendatory of chapter 329, private and local laws of 1863.

No. 102, S.,

A bill to amend and add to an act entitled "an act to consolidate chapter 49 of the private and local laws of 1855, entitled 'an act to incorporate the village of Madison into a separate school district,' and all acts amendatory thereof," being chapter 203, of the private and local laws of 1867.

Were each ordered read a third time.

Nos. 401, 447, 396, 429, 415, 404, 400, 399, 397, 451, 394, 398, 395, 392, 437, A.,

Were, on motion of Mr. Luchsinger, each laid aside till Thursday, March 1st.

No. 290, A.,

A bill relating to repeal of section seven, of chapter two, of the charter of the city of Watertown, relating to officers, and amending the same.

No. 358, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 275, of the laws of 1873, entitled "an act to authorize Leonis Zorinas to build and maintain a dam across Moose river in the county of Douglas."

No. 361, A.,

A bill to provide for the punishment of certain offenses against log-owners on Wolf river and its tributaries.

No. 213, A.,

A bill to authorize a record of title to real estate in heirs of real estate.

No. 212, A.,

A bill relating to the manner of commencing actions and to amend section 7 of chapter 124 of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of the manner of commencing civil actions."

No. 263, A.,

A bill relating to and amendatory of chapter 313, of the laws of

1876, entitled "an act to revise, consolidate and amend the charter of the city of Racine," approved August 8, 1848, and the several acts amendatory thereof.

No. 148, A.,

A bill to appropriate to George B. Smith and William Vilas, the sum of money therein mentioned.

No. 28, A.,

A bill to compel the specific performance of written contracts between landlord and tenant in certain cases.

No. 420, A.,

A bill in relation to tax deeds and amendatory of chapter 181, general laws of 1872, entitled "an act to amend section one of chapter 44, general laws of 1870, entitled 'an act to amend section one of chapter 113 of the general laws of 1857.'"

No. 124, A.,

A bill for the division of the counties of Clark and Marathon and the erection of the county of Forest.

No. 424, A.,

A bill to provide for laying out and establishing a state road from the village of Stockholm, in Pepin county, to Rock Elm Center, in Pierce county, via Plum City.

No. 386, A.,

A bill to exempt the lands of the North Wisconsin Railway Company from taxation.

No. 267, A.,

A bill to prevent excessive taxation by towns, villages or cities.

No. 36, S.,

A bill to amend sections 5 and 8, of chapter 153, of the laws of 1876, relating to the corporation of fire departments in unincorporated villages.

No. 331, A.,

A bill to exempt the lands of Cornell University from taxation.

No. 6, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 121, of the laws of 1874, entitled "an act for the preservation of game in the counties of Eau Claire, Chippewa, Dunn, Trempealeau, Buffalo and Pepin."

Were each indefinitely postponed.

No. 304, A.,

A bill relating to fire insurance companies doing business in the State of Wisconsin.

Amendments adopted, and bill ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 438, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Peter Salentine a sum of money therein named.

Mr. Spence offered the following amendment:

Amend by striking out "\$525," and insert "\$700" in lieu thereof.

Mr. Seymour offered the following amendment to the amendment proposed by Mr. Spence:

Strike out "\$700," and insert in lieu thereof "\$175."

Which was lost.

The question now being upon the adoption of Mr. Spence's amendment, as above, it was adopted by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Arnold, Black, Brost, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dailey, Earnest, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flinn, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Johnson, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Mohr, Neuhauser, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Ringle, Roche, Senn, Scheuber, Shufelt, Spence, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Vance, Van Waters, Wall Wright, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—46.

Noes—Messrs. Anderson, Arnot, Bailey, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, Brooks, Burnett, Cash, W. E. Carter, Dale, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, W. J. Fisk, Gray, Greening, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Innis, Johnston, Kast, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Rice, Sarnow, Seymour, Shepard, Sylvester, Truell, Walker, Wannemaker, Weeks, Wyatt—45.

And bill ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 439, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Henry Fink a sum of money therein named,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Hamilton,

The Assembly adjourned till this evening at 7:30 o'clock.

7:30 P. M.

Assembly met,

The Speaker in the chair.

The roll was called and the following members present:

Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—94.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Bailey, Blakeslee, Stapleton—3.

Absent—Messrs. Innis, Pierce, Wedig—3.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By Joint Committee on Claims :

Res. No. 31, A.,

Resolved by the Assembly, the Senate concurring, That his excellency the Governor, be and he is hereby requested to place to the credit of his contingent fund, any moneys which may be paid to him by the Board of Centennial Managers, and to pay out of his contingent fund the remaining unpaid bills of said board.

To general File.

By Joint Committee on Claims :

Res. No. 32, A.,

Resolved by the Assembly, the Senate concurring, That the Board of Centennial Managers be and they are hereby directed to pay over to his excellency the Governor, any moneys which may come into their hands belonging to the Centennial fund, and to present to him any unpaid bills properly chargeable to said fund.

To General File.

By Joint Committee on Claims :

Res. No. 33, A.,

Resolved by the Assembly, the Senate concurring, That the secretary of state be and hereby is directed to transfer the amount now to the credit of the Centennial Commission fund, viz.: twelve hundred and ninety-nine and forty-six one hundredths (\$1,299.46) dollars, to the credit of the general fund, and to audit no more accounts of the board of Centennial Managers.

To General File.

By Joint Committee on Claims :

No. 454, A.,

A bill relating to the expenses of persons doing business for the state.

To General File.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Judiciary have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows :

No. 369, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 137, of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act to amend section 6, of chapter 134 of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of executions and proceedings supplementary thereto."

Without amendment, and passage recommended.

No. 210, S.,

A bill concerning town boards of review.

No. 251, S.,

A bill to protect makers of notes given to fire insurance companies for payment of premiums.

No. 126, S.,

A bill relating to court commissioners, their appointment, pow-

er and duties, and amendatory of section 94 of chapter 13 of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of counties and county officers," and the several acts amendatory thereof.

Each with amendments, and concurrence recommended when so amended.

No. 349, A.,

A bill to define duties of towns and town officers in certain cases.

With amendments and passage recommended when so amended.

No. 133, S.,

A bill to amend section 2, chapter 71, general laws of 1858, entitled "an act for the keeping of insane persons."

Without amendment and without recommendation.

The bill is carefully drawn and is guarded in its provisions, and if passed will fully accomplish the objects for which it is designed, but as it concerns only a question of public policy, of which all are equally capable of judging, the question of its passage is left to the good judgment of the Assembly.

CARL C. POPE,
Chairman.

The Committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows:

No. 65, A.,

A bill relating to the assessment of property for taxation and the levy of taxes thereon, and amendatory of section 33, of chapter 130, of the laws of 1868.

With an amendment and recommend its passage when so amended.

No. 289, A.,

A bill to make it the duty of the city clerk to itemize all tax rolls of the city of Watertown,

And report the same back with two amendments and recommend its passage when so amended.

No. 237, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 130, general laws of 1868, entitled "an act to provide for the assessment of property for taxation, and the levy of taxes thereon."

And report the same back with an amendment and recommend concurrence when so amended.

D. P. HULL,
Chairman.

The Committee on Roads and Bridges, have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows:

No. 300, A.,

A bill declaring certain portions of Spring street road in the town of Wauwatosa, a county highway, and providing for the improvement thereof.

With an amendment, and recommend its passage when so amended.

No. 266, A.,

A bill to lay out and establish a state road in the county of Clark.

And recommend its indefinite postponement.

No. 449, A.,

A bill to amend section 2, of chapter 385, of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act to lay out, open, and establish a state road from, at or near Jenny, in Lincoln county, to Westboro, in Taylor county, and to intersect the new Yellow river road, in Chippewa county, at a point on the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of section 5, town 32, range 5, west."

And recommend its indefinite postponement.

S. J. SEYMOUR,
Chairman.

The Committee on Enrolled Bills have examined and find correctly enrolled the following bills :

No. 27, A.,

A bill to detach certain territory from the town of Orion, and attach the same to the town of Eagle in the county of Richland, State of Wisconsin.

No. 209, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 276, of the general laws of 1875, entitled "an act to fix the fees of the register of deeds of the county of Milwaukee, for the registration of marriages, births and deaths."

No. 193, A.,

A bill relating to prisons and common jails, and amendatory of section 9, of chapter 190, of the Revised Statutes.

No. 215, A.,

A bill to authorize the transfer into the proper offices of certain documents belonging to the state.

No. 165, A.,

A bill relating to ward officers of the city of Watertown, and amendatory of an act to incorporate the city of Watertown, and the several acts amendatory thereof, approved March 28, 1865, and repealing chapter 237 of the laws of 1875, approved March 5, 1875.

No. 43, A.,

A bill relating to evidence in certain cases, and to provide an Executive Privy Seal.

No. 29, A.,

A bill to establish and maintain a ferry across lake Pepin and Mississippi river, from Pepin, in the county of Pepin.

No. 182, A.,

A bill to authorize the construction of a viaduct on Reservoir avenue, in the Sixth ward in the city of Milwaukee.

No. 42, A.,

A bill relating to estates in dower, and amendatory of sections 17, 18, and 19, of chapter 89, of the Revised Statutes.

No. 350, A.,

A bill relating to the license fund received by the city of Chippewa Falls.

No. 50, A.,

A bill relating to the commencement of actions, and amendment of section 26, of chapter 138, of the Revised Statutes.

M. C. No. 3, A.,

Memorial to Congress for increased mail facilities in western portion of Oconto county.

J. J. SENN,
Chairman.

The Committee on State Affairs have had under consideration the following bill, and report the same back as follows:

No. 368, A.,

A bill to provide for the examination and licensing of mechanical engineers.

And recommend that the same be indefinitely postponed.

PHINEAS BALDWIN,
Chairman.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same correctly engrossed:

No. 324, A.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 227 of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act to provide for the recording of the lands of the Wisconsin Railroad Farm Mortgage Land Company in the register's office of the several counties in which such lands are situated."

No. 14, A.,

A bill to amend section 2, of chapter 344, of the general laws of 1876, entitled "an act to codify and consolidate all laws in relation to town insurance companies."

No. 328, A.,

A bill to amend section 100, of chapter 18, of the Revised Statutes, concerning the collection of delinquent personal property tax.

No. 370, A.,

A bill relating to a dam on Little Wolf river, in Waupaca county, and amendatory of section 4, of chapter 169, of laws of Wisconsin for 1875.

No. 337, A.,

A bill to regulate fees in settlement of particular estates in the county court for Milwaukee county, in probate.

No. 352, A.,

A bill relating to the election of county superintendent of schools.

No. 99, A.,

A bill to provide for the establishment of a hospital and school for imbeciles, idiotic, or feeble minded children.

No. 192, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money therein named, to pay for chaplin service in the legislature, for the year 1877.

No. 324, A.,

A bill to authorize Jno. T. Kingston, John Smart, Wm. Woock, and their associates, to build and maintain a bridge across the Wisconsin river, and authorize certain towns to grant aid therefor.

No. 444, A.,

A bill relating to the preservation of fish in Sugar river.

No. 438, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Peter Salentine a sum of money therein named.

No. 439, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Henry Fink, a sum of money therein named.

No. 422, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 47, of the general laws of 1871, entitled "an act to amend chapter 107, of the private and local laws of 1867, entitled 'an act to authorize the appointment of phonographic reporters in the circuit court of the counties of Milwaukee and Kenosha.'"

No. 427, A.,

A bill to amend subdivision ten of section 11 of chapter 119, of the laws of 1872, entitled "an act in relation to railroads and the organization of railroad companies."

No. 431, A.,

A bill to legalize certain acts of the board of supervisors of Manitowoc county, Wisconsin.

No. 357, A.,

A bill relating to the protection of the capitol and the capitol park in the city of Madison, and amendatory of section 3, of chapter 117, of the laws of 1870.

W. A. HERRON,

Chairman.

The Committee on Incorporations have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows:

No. 179, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 321 of the laws of 1874, entitled "an act to amend an act entitled 'an act to incorporate the city of Grand Rapids.'"

The committee recommend that it be concurred in.

No. 198, S.,

A bill relating to corporations organized under the laws of this state and amendatory of section 8, chapter 141, laws of 1872, of an act entitled "an act to authorize the organization of corporations for other than manufacturing, mercantile, insurance, banking, transportation, or trading purposes."

The committee recommend that it be concurred in.

A. D. DELAND,

Chairman.

The Joint Committee on Claims had under consideration
No. 121, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the trustees of the State Library a sum of
of money.

And report same back with the recommendation that it be in-
definitely postponed.

JOHN LUCHSINGER,
Chairman.

The Committee on State Lands have had under consideration
No. 10, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 314 of the general laws of 1876, entitled
"an act relating to trespassing on state lands" and for the repeal of
chapter 21 of the general laws of 1871, entitled "an act to consoli-
date and amend the laws relating to trespassing on state land."

And report back by substitute, and passage of substitute recom-
mended.

No. 391, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 313 of the private and local laws of 1869,
entitled "an act to authorize the use of the money arising from the
sale of certain swamp and overflowed lands in the county of
Portage for drainage purposes, and to amend chapter 537, of the
laws of 1865, relating thereto, and all acts amendatory thereof."

And recommend its passage.

No. 114, S.,

A bill relating to the price of swamp and overflowed lands in
Jackson county.

And report the same back without recommendation.

J. L. LINDERMAN,
Chairman.

The Committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions have had
under consideration

No. 172, S.,

And report the same back with an amendment, and recommend
that the same be passed when amended.

S. T. MERRILL,
Chairman.

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

The Select Committee appointed, pursuant to

Jt. Res., No. 23, A.,

Beg leave to report

That they recognize in the outset the fact that the money appro-
priated to the Centennial Commission, was to be expended by the
commissioners according to their best judgment and discretion,
for the purposes specified in the act making the appropriation.

They have therefore not considered it necessary to pass any criti-

cism on the general policy pursued by the commissioners, nor to inquire whether any particular expenditure was wise or unwise, but have contented themselves with examining the accounts to make sure that proper vouchers had been filed for the moneys expended, and have, as far as possible, classified and arranged the expenditures, so as to show at a glance by whom and for what purpose the same was spent.

We find that vouchers are on file in the office of the secretary of state for \$21,819.48, and that the same amount is charged on his books to the Centennial Commission Fund, and is the amount reported by the Centennial Managers, in their communication of January 26, as having been spent by them.

This amount has been expended as follows:

Wisconsin house—all told.....	\$6,772 14
Prof. Searing Educational exhibit.....	2,000 00
Prof. McAlister Educational exhibit.....	369 50
State Sheep Breeders Association.....	500 00
State Dairymens' Association.....	584 90
State Horticultural Society.....	400 00
<i>Commissioners—</i>	
J. I. Case, personal expenses.....	67 19
Thad. C. Pomnd, personal expenses.....	60 00
Eli Stilson, personal expenses.....	152 60
E. A. Calkins, personal expenses.....	28 00
A. Meinecke, personal expenses and sundry bills.....	773 38
J. B. Parkinson, personal expenses and sundry bills.....	511 32
David Atwood, personal expenses and sundry bills.....	686 47
<i>Treasurer—</i>	
Ferdinand Kuehn, freight bills.....	71 74
<i>Secretary—</i>	
W. W. Field, salary.....	500 00
W. W. Field, services.....	100 00
W. W. Field, personal expenses and sundry bills.....	615 52
<i>Superintendent of House—</i>	
Elisha Starr, salary.....	1,100 00
Elisha Starr, personal expenses.....	45 00
Elisha Starr, sundry bills.....	58 83
<i>Eagle Bearer—</i>	
John T. Hill, salary.....	506 66
John T. Hill, railroad fare and traveling expenses.....	96 45
<i>Superintendent of Mineral Exhibit—</i>	
E. T. Sweet, salary.....	1,180 00
E. T. Sweet, salary.....	276 85
<i>Superintendent Agricultural Exhibit—</i>	
L. E. Walker, salary.....	375 00
Will. Hover, salary.....	100 00
F. W. Case, salary.....	200 00
F. W. Case, expenses.....	50 00
Sundry items, not classified.....	3,772 48
Total.....	<u>21,819 48</u>

We transmit herewith a detailed and itemized account of these expenditures, as far as it is possible to make one from the vouchers on file, and recommend that the same be spread upon the journal.

Your committee made specific inquiry of Messrs. Atwood, Parkinson and Field, the only members of the board who have been before them, as to whether in making up their accounts for personal expense, they had charged railroad fare in cases where they had traveled on passes.

The answer in all these cases was, that they had done so; Messrs. Atwood & Parkinson claiming that their passes had come to them in the course of business and were their own property, and Mr. Field, claiming that this charge was customary in the other boards of the state and in the State Agricultural Society.

Your committee have no opinion to express as to the right or wrong of this matter, but transmit herewith a bill covering this point, the passage of which they recommend.

In the examination of the vouchers of the board it was discovered that Hannah Carpenter, the person in charge of the Wisconsin building, had been over paid by Col. Starr, the sum of \$77.41.

This amount has been returned to the board by Col. Starr, and has by them been placed in the treasury, so that the amount now to the credit of the fund is \$1,299.46.

We understand from the board that they expect to collect a small rebate of freight, and have a few bills in amount, not to exceed \$100, still unpaid.

We recommend that the amount now to the credit of the centennial fund, viz. \$1,299.46, be covered back into the treasury, and placed to the credit of the general fund.

We recommend that whatever may be collected back by the Centennial managers be paid by them to the governor, to be placed to the credit of his contingent fund, and that that he be requested to pay their remaining outstanding bills from his contingent fund, and we transmit herewith the proper resolutions, to carry these recommendations into effect.

We understand that the object sought to be accomplished by Joint Resolution, No. 19, Assembly, has been attained in another way, and we recommend that said Joint Resolution, No. 19, be indefinitely postponed.

H. RICHARDSON,
JOS. RANKIN,
H. F. DOUSMAN,
T. W. SPENCE,

RECEIPTS.

1875.	Appropriation.....	\$2,000 00
1876.	Appropriation.....	20,000 00
Dec. 1. 1877.	Centennial building sold.....	800 45
Jan. 2.	Sheep breeders Association refunded.....	38 70
Jan. 8.	E. Searing, (educational) refunded.....	67 88
Jan. 11.	A. Meinecke, stove, &c., sold.....	30 00
Jan. 12.	E. T. Sweet, minerals and cases sold.....	105 00
Feb. 23.	E. Starr, error in H. Carpenter's account.....	77 41
Total.....		23,118 94

DISBURSEMENTS.

WISCONSIN HOUSE.

1876.

June 22.	Watson & Custer, contract.....	\$4,429 60
	Water permit.....	46 00
	Stereoscope.....	35 00
	Toweling.....	12 00
	Rubber hose.....	19 50
	Iron railing.....	45 50
	Wash bowl and pitcher.....	2 25
	Furniture.....	17 25
	Bedding.....	35 55
	Plumbing.....	84 45
	Water cooler, etc.....	19 92
	Lettering.....	8 25
	Insurance.....	45 00
	Furniture.....	219 48
	Carpets, oil cloths, etc.....	252 20
	Paper and paper hanging.....	359 87
	Expenses for house.....	36 39
Sept. 27.	Carpets and goods.....	141 28
	Carpenter work.....	18 65
	Pillows.....	5 00
	Gas fixtures.....	35 45
	Towels, rollers and soap.....	4 17
	Brushes and combs.....	5 85
	Crockery.....	7 88
	Painting.....	18 00
	Stationery.....	4 05
	Furniture and bedding.....	68 70
	Furniture.....	46 00
	Paper.....	2 50
	Plumbing and repairing pipe.....	21 25
	Water permit.....	33 06
	Stationery.....	8 23
	Hannah Carpenter, services.....	94 50
	Hannah Carpenter, services.....	95 25
	Ice company.....	2 26
	Stationery.....	2 75
	Painting.....	50
	Items per Atwood.....	37 80
	Paper.....	108 71
Nov. 27.	Hannah Carpenter, services.....	48 87
	Hannah Carpenter, laundry work.....	145 00
	Stoves and fixtures.....	78 00
	Incidentals, per Starr.....	18 98
	Ice.....	12 08
	Coal stove, coal, etc., (Meinecke).....	53 76
	Total.....	<u>6,772 14</u>

EDUCATIONAL EXHIBIT—(PROF. SEARING).

Sept. 27,	Atwood & Culver, printing.....	\$616 50
	W. J. Park & Co., binding.....	285 19
	Smith & Campion, book case and carpet.....	322 50
	W. J. L. Nicodemus, educational map.....	450 00
	W. H. Chandler, expense account.....	110 80
	Printing, lettering, etc.,.....	49 25

Sept. 27. Express charges.....	\$59 60
W. C. Whitford, expense account.....	25 00
A. Salisbury, expense account.....	20 00
J. C. Harmon, labor, etc.,	25 21
Shades	9 00
Matting	17 05
Hanging pictures.....	8 90
Metz & Sons, incidentals.....	1 23
Picture frames.....	5 75
P. L. Norman, architect.....	5 00
P. Eosly, pictures.....	4 00
J. L. Nye, pictures.....	10 00
Freight, express and telegraph.....	39 63
Express.....	2 41
Expense account.....	78 11
do do.....	89 90
do do.....	95 80
do do.....	5 29
Amount refunded.....	67 38

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Paid by Normal Regents..... 408 50

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EDUCATIONAL EXHIBIT—(PROF. MCALLISTER).

West & Co., stationery.....	\$335 95
Treyser & Bro., printing	2 75
Bray Bros, printing.....	87 75
Neidecken & Co., stationery	90 78
Hoeger & Sons, paper.....	60 88
Banner.....	30 00
Sergeant & Reed, ink	58 50
West & Co., stationery	10 90
Sherman, photograph	100 00
Neidecken & Co., binding.....	82 45
Poposky & Van Horn, framing picture	76 85
Hoeger & Sons, binding	24 00
Schmidt & Myer, map.....	12 00
Trimming for banner.....	4 00
P. V. Deuster, printing	12 50
Treyser & Bro., printing.....	29 00

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Paid by Milwaukee Common Council \$700 00

Paid by Milwaukee School Board 216 06

916 06

369 50

STATE SHEEP BREEDER'S ASSOCIATION.

J. N. Crawford, expenses	\$5 00
J. H. Paul, expenses.....	14 00
P. Humberh, expenses.....	7 65
G. Lawrence, expenses.....	2 60
Paul & Lawrence, expenses.....	72 90
P. Craig, case.....	5 25
S. S. B. Association, freight.....	84 95
S. S. B. Association, expense account	268 95
Amount refunded.....	88 70

500 00

STATE DAIRYMEN'S ASSOCIATION.

Sept. 27	Stationery	\$10 67
	Printing.....	14 00
	C. Hazen, expense account, etc	127 00
	H. Smith, expense account, etc	182 08
	D. W. Curtis, expense account, etc	86 72
1877.		
Jan. 4	D. W. Curtis, expense account, etc	98 80
	H. Smith, expense account, etc	90 10
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	Paid by Association.....	24 47
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STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

June 27.	J. S. Stickney, express charges,	\$22 20
	J. C. Plumb, expense account, etc.....	180 77
	A. G. Tuttle, expense account,.....	80 70
	C. H. Greenman, expense account	89 40
	J. C. Plumb, freight charges,.....	76 93
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J. I. CASE—COMMISSIONER.

Jan. 18, 1876.	Expense meeting board; four at Madison, one at Mil.,...	\$55 44
Jan. 11, 1877.	Expense meeting board, March 3, 1876,	11 75
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THAD. C. POUND—COMMISSIONER.

Jan. 12, 1876,	Expenses at four meetings of board,	\$60 00
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ELI STILSON—COMMISSIONER.

May 4, 1875.	Expenses, railroad fare, and hotel bills,.....	\$25 75
Jan. 13, 1876,	Expenses, railroad fare, and hotel bills,.....	23 85
Aug. 30,	Expenses, railroad fare, and hotel bills,.....	26 00
Oct. 26,	Expenses, railroad fare, and hotel bills,.....	77 00
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E. A. CALKINS—COMMISSIONER.

May 5, 1875.	Expense attending meetings,	\$23 00
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ADOLFA MEINECKE—COMMISSIONER.

1876.		
Jan. 3.	Expenses at four meetings board,.....	\$42 36
Mar. 18.	Expenses as per bill,.....	53 25
June 22.	Personal expenses	220 58
June 22.	Freight, cartage, express, printing, coal, matting, gas, etc., ...	176 83
Sept. 27.	Express charges and expenses,.....	106 85
Nov. 29.	Expenses to Philadelphia.....	88 75
1877.		
Jan. 12.	Freight bills and expenses.....	71 98
Jan. 12.	Expense account, freight, cartage, and telegrams,.....	17 88
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J. B. PARKINSON—COMMISSIONER.

1876.		
Jan. 18.	Expense meeting board at Milwaukee.....	\$25 00
Mar. 18.	Expenses to Philadelphia and return.....	85 05
April 21.	Expenses from Madison to Milwaukee and return,	9 47
June 22.	Expenses to Philadelphia and return.....	289 80
Aug. 30.	Expenses from Madison to Philadelphia and return	80 40
Nov. 29.	Expenses from Madison to Philadelphia and return	71 60
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DAVID ATWOOD—COMMISSIONER.

1876.		
Jan. 18.	Expenses meeting board at Milwaukee.....	\$25 00
Mar. 18.	Expense to Philadelphia and return	85 05
April 21.	Expenses to Beloit and return.....	5 05
June 23.	Expenses to Philadelphia and return, and expenses	228 82
Nov. 29.	Expense account, drayage, and packing material,.....	297 60
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F. KUEHN—TREASURER.

June 23, 1876.	Freight for Centennial Commissioners.....	\$24 96
June 23, 1876.	Freight on goods for Centennial Commissioners.....	46 78
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Total		71 74
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W. W. FIELD—SECRETARY.

1876.		
Jan. 14.	Salary	\$500 00
Mar. 18.	Expenses to Philadelphia and return.....	90 85
June 23.	Expenses—freight, express, hotel bill, printing.....	30 21
	Railroad fare, telegraph, freight and incidentals.....	74 54
	Expenses to Philadelphia, April 29, to May 20, 1876.....	116 69
Aug. 30.	Expenses to Philadelphia, June 30, to July 26, 1876.....	126 56
Nov. 29.	Expenses to Philadelphia and return.....	81 70
	Expenses, freight, telegraph, cartage, packing, room rent.....	27 07
	Services.....	190 00
1877.		
Jan. 10.	Paid freight bills and drayage.....	68 40
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Total		1,215 52
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ELISHA STARR—SUPERINTENDENT.

1877.		
Jan. 20.	Salary	\$1,100 00
	Personal expenses.....	45 00
	Express and incidentals.....	18 65
	Freight bills.....	40 18
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Total		1,208 83
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JOHN T. HILL—EAGLE BEARER.

1876.		
Nov. 27.	Salary, 6 months and 10 days, at \$80 per month.....	\$506 66
	Railroad fare.....	34 90
	Traveling expenses.....	61 55
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Total		603 1

E. T. SWEET—SUPERINTENDENT OF MINERALS.

Salary.....	\$1,180 00
Personal expenses, telegraph, packing, boxing, etc.....	127 80
Personal expenses, telegraph, packing, boxing, etc.....	148 55
Total	<u>1,406 35</u>

L. E. WALKER—SUPERINTENDENT OF AGRICULTURAL EXHIBIT.

Salary	375 00
Will Hover, in charge of Agricultural Exhibit.....	100 00

F. W. CASE.

June 28. Services, six weeks.....	156 00
Expenses, etc.....	21 00
Nov. 8. Work on catalogues.....	50 00
Total	<u>221 00</u>

EXPENDITURES.

1875.		
April 22.	Moseley & Bro., framing pictures.....	\$7 85
May 4.	Telegrams	1 55
	Seal.....	6 00
1876.		
Jan. 18.	S. G. Lapham, arranging minerals.....	200 00
	Profs. Daniells and Irving, examining minerals.....	8 40
	Moseley & Bro., stationery.....	9 75
	Postage stamps.....	15 00
	Atwood & Culver, printing.....	43 00
	Democrat Company, printing.....	7 00
March 8.	Telegrams	5 50
	Views of Wisconsin scenery, (Dells).....	24 00
April 8.	Telegrams	3 90
	D. R. Jones, architect.....	40 00
	J. W. Wood, cereals.....	5 00
	R. S. & N. J. Jacobs, minerals.....	39 88
April 20.	Photographs of Capitol.....	5 00
	Express charges.....	3 55
	Democrat Company, printing.....	26 00
May 17.	Labor.....	3 50
	Drayage.....	3 00
	Stationery, etc.,	3 50
June 22.	Lewis & Co., cases.....	140 00
	Cartage.....	10 00
	Lewis & Co., cases.....	105 00
	Platform for minerals.....	25 00
	Landscape gardening.....	225 00
	P. R. R. Co., freight	64 80
	Flag and picture frames for Capitol.....	34 25
	F. Rosenbaum, case birds.....	50 00
	Show case.....	10 00
	Glass globes.....	7 18
	Express charges.....	24 05
	Robinson Bros., printing.....	25 75

June 22.	J. D. Butler, expense account.....	\$100 00
	Expres charges.....	4 20
	Robert Wooten, services and expenses.....	61 00
	Gillender & Son, package glass, etc.....	5 50
	W. W. Smith, packing box, etc.....	65 00
	E. S. Moore, house for eagle, etc.....	30 26
	E. S. Moore, incidentals.....	17 29
	Lehman & Bolton, lithographing.....	70 00
	Earle & Sons, frames.....	45 50
	Smith & Campion, show cases.....	208 00
	Cartage.....	1 50
	Black walnut.....	25 00
	R. D. Irving, expense account.....	2 55
	Telegraph.....	5 10
	W. J. L. Nicodemus, agricultural map.....	450 00
Aug. 26,	Democrat Company, printing.....	28 50
Sept. 23,	Atwood & Culver, printing 5,000 catalogues.....	900 00
	Seifert & Gugler, 5,000 maps.....	100 00
Sept. 27.	Photograph Plate Printing Company, map.....	25 00
	Graphic Printing Company, illustrations, etc.....	103 50
	H. W. Crotzus, engraving and electrotyping.....	38 50
	Gillender & Sons, bottles for cereals.....	88 98
	Concrete walk.....	52 00
	Campbell Press Company, printing.....	13 25
	Brick.....	21 00
	Picture frames.....	1 50
Nov. 27,	Atwood & Culver, printing.....	38 00
	Robinson Bros., printing.....	4 00
1877.		
Jan. 10,	R. S. & N. J. Jacobs, mineral.....	25 00
	Jas. E. Fisher, repairing cases, etc.....	55 84
	Express Company, charges.....	3 10
	Express Company, charges.....	6 45
	Total.....	21,819 48
	Balance.....	1,299 46

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By A. J. TURNER, Chief Clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:—I am directed to inform you that the Senate has passed, and asks the concurrence of the Assembly in

No. 231, S.,

A bill to amend section 54, of chapter 134, of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of executions and proceedings supplementary thereto."

No. 162, S.,

A bill to appropriate to Sylvester G. H. Crocker the sum of money therein named,

No. 187, S.,

A bill to amend section 5, of chapter 14, of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of resignations, vacancies, removals, and of supplying vacancies."

No. 71, S.,

A bill relating to the establishment and aid in the maintenance

of free high schools, and amendatory of chapter 323, of the laws of 1875,

No. 137, S.,

A bill relating to town insurance companies, and amendatory of section 10, chapter 344, laws of 1876.

No. 26, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 82, of the general laws of 1859, entitled "an act to provide for the more efficient punishment of certain offenses."

No. 156, S.,

A bill to regulate the use of the great seal, and to establish a lesser seal.

And has concurred in

No. 270, A.,

A bill to provide for laying out and establishing a state road from Richland Center, in Richland county, Wisconsin, to Hillsboro, in Vernon county, Wisconsin.

No. 308, A.,

A bill relating to highways, streets and alleys upon boundary lines of cities and towns.

No. 101, A.,

A bill to authorize D. W. Tupper and George E. Tupper and their associates, to improve Tupper Creek for log driving purposes.

And has amended and concurred in as amended

No. 48, A.,

A bill in relation to fees of county judges, and to repeal chapter 123, of the laws of 1871, and amendatory of section 2, of chapter 121, of the laws of 1868.

And requests the return of

No. 23, A.,

A bill relating to town treasurers and defining their duties in certain cases.

And has refused to concur in

No. 105, A.,

A bill to create the county of Wells and provide for the organization of the same.

And has passed, and asks the concurrence of the Assembly in,

No. 242, S.,

A bill to change and define the limits of the third, seventh and ninth judicial circuits, and fix the time for holding the terms of court therein, and for other purposes.

No. 58, S.,

A bill to provide for the action of the commissioners of school and university lands in certain cases.

And has concurred in

No. 446, A.,

A bill to incorporate the city of Plymouth.

Jt. Res., No. 39, A.,

Relating to bill No. 8, A.,

Assembly amendments to

No. 48, S.,

A bill to authorize the commissioners of school and university

lands to loan a portion of the trust funds of the state to school district No. 7, town of Baraboo, county of Sauk.

No. 241, S.,

A bill to authorize the city of Appleton to issue corporate bonds for bridge purposes.

No. 131, S.,

A bill to authorize the town of Necedah, in the county of Juneau, to appropriate a certain sum of money to aid in the construction of the Necedah and Camp Douglas railroad,

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Read first and second times and referred.

No. 162, S.,

To General File.

No. 187, S.,

To Committee on Judiciary.

No. 71, S.,

To Committee on Education.

No. 138, S.,

To Committee on Incorporation.

No. 26, S.,

To Committee on Judiciary.

No. 156, S.,

To Committee on State Affairs.

No. 231, S.,

To Committee on Judiciary.

No. 48, A.,

Senate amendment, concurred in.

No. 242, S.,

A bill to change and define the limits of the third, seventh and ninth judicial circuits, and fix the time for holding the terms of court therein, and for other purposes.

On motion of Mr. Cash, the rules were suspended, bill read a third time, and Senate amendments adopted and bill concurred in.

No. 58, S.,

Was read first and second times and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

SENATE BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

No. 136, S.,

A bill relating to the trial of certain criminal cases.

No. 182, S.,

A bill relating to loans of school and university trust funds to school districts, and amendatory of section 5, chapter 42 of the general laws of 1871.

No. 168, S.,

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to amend chapter 262, of

the laws of 1875, and to amend an act entitled an act to revise, consolidate and amend an act to incorporate the city of Green Bay, and the several acts amendatory thereof, approved March 8, 1875.

No. 134, S.,

A bill concerning the acknowledgment of certain deeds.

No. 11, S.,

A bill relating to cemetery associations.

No. 67, S.,

A bill to amend section 6, of chapter 165 of the laws of Wisconsin of 1874, entitled "an act to secure the safe navigation of the Wisconsin river."

No. 68, S.,

A bill to legalize the acts of the Waukesha County Agricultural Society.

No. 83, S.,

A bill relating to the foreclosure of mortgages and amendatory of chapter 145 of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of actions for the foreclosure of a mortgage," and the acts amendatory thereof.

No. 102, S.,

A bill to amend and add to an act entitled "an act to consolidate chapter 49, of the private and local laws of 1855, entitled 'an act to incorporate the village of Madison into a separate school district,' and all acts amendatory thereof." being chapter 203, of the private and local laws of 1867.

No. 105, S.,

A bill relating to issuing tax deeds upon certain lands sold for taxes, in Jackson county, but now in Wood county.

No. 129, S.,

A bill to authorize the town of Ahnapee to build and maintain a bridge across Ahnapee river.

No. 139, S.,

A bill relating to the Madison Mutual Insurance Company and amendatory of chapter 329, private and local laws of 1863.

No. 146, S.,

A bill to provide for the alteration and the discontinuance of portions of the state road from Black River Falls in Jackson county, to the city of La Crosse, in La Crosse county.

No. 170, S.,

A bill to empower the board of trustees of any incorporated villages, or the common council of any city, to prescribe the duties and qualifications of street commissioners.

Were severally read a third time and concurred in.

No. 49, S.,

A bill to authorize the commissioners of school and university lands to loan a portion of the trust funds of the state to the county of Polk.

No. 185, S.,

A bill to submit to the people an amendment to section 2, of article 7, of the constitution of this state.

Were each read a third time and concurred in by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Arnold, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. I. Baldwin, Black, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Götze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luschhsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Van Watters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassody—91.

Noes—Mr. Hubbard—1.

ASSEMBLY BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

No. 427, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 121, of the general laws of 1856, entitled "an act concerning railroads."

No. 422, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 47, of the general laws of 1871, entitled "an act to amend chapter 107, of the private and local laws of 1867, entitled 'an act to authorize the appointment of phonographic reporters in the circuit court of the counties of Milwaukee and Kenosha.'"

No. 444, A.,

A bill relating to the preservation of fish in Sugar river.

Were each read a third time and passed.

No. 334, A.,

A bill to authorize John T. Kingston, John Smart, Wm. Wook and their associates, to build and maintain a bridge across the Wisconsin river, and authorizing certain towns to grant aid therefor.

Was read a third time and passed. Title amended to read as follows:

A bill to amend chapter 311, private and laws of the year 1867, entitled "an act to incorporate the Peter-en-Will bridge company," and also to authorize certain towns to grant aid therefor.

No. 337, A.,

A bill for an act to regulate fees in settlement of particular estates in the county court for Milwaukee county, in probate.

No. 370, A.,

A bill relating to a dam on Little Wolf river in Waupaca county, and amendatory of section 4, chapter 169, of laws of Wisconsin for 1875.

No. 328, A.,

A bill to amend section 100, of chapter 18, of the Revised Statutes, concerning the collection of delinquent personal property tax.

No. 324, A.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 227 of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act to provide for the recording of the lands of the Wisconsin Railroad Farm Mortgage Land Company, in the register's office of the several counties in which such lands are situated."

No. 14, A.,

A bill to amend section 2 of chapter 344 of the general laws of 1876, entitled "an act to codify and consolidate all laws in relation to town insurance companies."

No. 431, A.,

A bill to change the name of William Richard Clancy, and to legalize certain acts.

No. 357, A.,

A bill relating to the protection of the capitol and the capitol park, in the city of Madison.

No. 332, A.,

A bill relating to the publication of legal notices.

Were each read a third time and passed.

No. 439, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Henry Fink a sum of money therein named.

Was read a third time and passed by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Abell, Arnold, Phineas Baldwin, Black, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dailey, Dixon, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, Field, Flinn, Greening, Grover, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Leavens, Lindsay, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Ringle Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Scheuber, Shufelt, Spence, Sylvester, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Wall, Weeks, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—66.

Noes—Messrs. Anderson, Arnot, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, Brooks, W. E. Carter, Dale, Deland, Dorwin, Fitzgerald, Gray, Goetze, Kast, Knapp, Linderman, Newman, Owen, Seymour, Shepard, Tisch, Van Waters, Walker, Wannemaker, Wright, Wyatt—25.

Messrs. Fink and Flanders excused from voting on bills Nos. 439 and 438, A.

No. 438, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Peter Salentine a sum of money therein named.

Was read a third time and passed by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Arnold, Phineas Baldwin, Black, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flinn, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Hubbard, Hull, Hyde, Johnson, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knowlton, Lindsay, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Scheuber, Shufelt, Spence, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Wall, Wannemaker, Weeks, Wright, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—63.

Noes—Messrs. Anderson, Arnot, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, Brooks, W. E. Carter Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Gray, Greening, Herron, Hulburt, Innis, Johnston, Kast, Knapp, Leavens, Linderman, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Seymour, Shepard, Sylvester, Van Waters, Walker, Wyatt—28.

No. 99, A.,

A bill to provide for the establishment of a hospital and school for imbecile, idiotic or feeble-minded children.

Was read a third time and passed.

No. 192, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money therein named, for chaplain service in the legislature of 1877.

Was read a third time and passed by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Arnold, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, Brooks, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Hammel, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Maxwell, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Thornton, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Weeks, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassody—72.

Noes—Messrs. Brost, Deland, Fink, Götze, Hamilton, Luchsinger, Marx, McCollum, Ries, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Sylvester, Tisch, Touhey, Van Waters, Wright—17.

On motion of Mr. W. J. Fisk,
The Assembly resolved itself into a

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

On the General File of Bills,

Mr. W. J. Fisk in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the Committee rose, and through their chairman reported as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: The Assembly, in Committee of the Whole, has had under consideration the General File of Bills, has gone through with the same, and has instructed me to report the following bills to the Assembly for its consideration:

No. 383, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 315, general laws of 1875, entitled "an act to provide for uniformity and the free use of text books in towns and cities."

No. 297, A.,

A bill to provide for a more accurate and complete collection and publication of statistics.

No. 246, S.,

A bill providing stationery and postage stamps for clerks and employes of the legislature.

No. 114, A.

A bill relating to public printing, and amendatory of section 16. of chapter 243, of the laws of 1874.

No. 147, A.,

A bill relating to, and amendatory of section three, chapter 299, private and local laws of the year 1870, entitled "an act to define certain rights and duties of the Beef Slough Manufacturing, Booming, Log Driving and Transportation Company."

Each with amendments.

No. 454, A.,

A bill relating to the expenses of persons doing business for the state.

No. 32, S.,

A bill to provide for the publication of the transactions of the Wisconsin Dairymen's Association.

No. 33, S.,

A bill relating to the Namakagon and Totogatic Dam Company, and amendatory of chapter 452, of the private and local laws of Wisconsin, for 1869, and the several acts amendatory thereof.

No. 52, S.

A bill to provide for the protection of game in the county of Burnett.

No. 124, S.,

A bill appointing four trustees for the Galesville University, and authorizing the general assembly of the Presbyterian church in the United States of America, to appoint eight trustees therefor, also repealing section one (1), of chapter eleven (11), of the private and local laws of 1862, and chapter 259, of the private and local laws of 1870..

No. 112, A.,

A bill to provide for the purchase of paper required for public printing and blank books, amendatory of section 1 of chapter 200 of the laws of 1874.

No. 217, A.,

A bill relating to the publication of delinquent tax lists.

No. 353, A.,

A bill to provide for the letting of the tax-list printing in the several counties of the state, to the lowest bidder.

No. 298, A.,

A bill requiring Christian Berkhret, his heirs and assigns, to sluice logs through a certain dam on Willow river, now owned by him, and to authorize the collection of tolls for such sluicing.

Each without amendments.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE CONSIDERED.

No. 383, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 315, general laws of 1875, entitled "an act to provide for uniformity and the free use of text books in

towns and cities."

On motion of Mr. Pope, the rules were suspended, substitute adopted, read a third time and passed.

Title amended to read as follows:

A bill relating to common schools and amendatory of chapter 315 of the general laws of 1875.

No. 147, A.,

A bill relating to, and amendatory of section 3, chapter 299, private and local laws of the year 1870, entitled "an act to define certain rights and duties of the Beef Slough Manufacturing, Booming, Log Driving and Transportation Company."

Mr. Carmichael moved to postpone the bill till to-morrow.

Lost.

On motion of Mr. Carmichael, a

CALL OF THE HOUSE

Was ordered.

The roll was called and the following members absent:

Messrs. Brost, Dorwin, Duxtader, Earnest, Kinzie, Marx, McCollum, Roche, Rice, and Wedig.

Mr. Fink moved to suspend the further proceedings under the call.

Pending which

Mr. Hubbard moved to adjourn, which was lost by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, Black, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Grover, Hamilton, Hammel, Hubbard, Johnson, Keogh, Knowlton, Linderman, Luchsinger, McCarty, Mohr, Neuhauser, Ringle, Scheuber, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Vance, Van Waters, Wannemaker, Weeks, Wright, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—33

Noes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, Brooks, Burnett, Cash, W. E. Carter, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dousman, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Gray, Greening, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Knapp, Leavens, Maxwell, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Shepherd, Shufelt, Spence, Sylvester, Truell, Wall, Walker, Wyatt—49.

Mr. Fink moved to suspend the further proceedings under the call, which prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnot, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Bock, Brooks, Burnett, Cash, W. E. Carter, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dousman, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Gray, Greening, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Ringle, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Sylvester, Truell, Vance, Wall, Walker, Wyatt, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—59.

Noes—Messrs. Phineas Baldwin, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Grover, Hamilton, Hammel, Hubbard, Keogh, Knowlton, Linderman, McCarty, Mohr, Scheuber, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Van Waters, Wannemaker, Weeks, Wright, Zeiman—25.

Mr. Carmichael moved to adjourn, which was lost by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. F. F. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dailey, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Grover, Hamilton, Hammel, Hubbard, Johnson, Keogh, Knowlton, McCarty, Mohr, Neuhauser, Ringle, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Vincent, Van Waters, Wannemaker, Weeks, Wright, Zeiman—27.

Noes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Bock, Brooks, Burnett, Cash, W. E. Carter, Dale, Deland, Dixon, Dousman, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Gray, Greening, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Sylvester, Truell, Vance, Wall, Walker, Wyatt, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—58.

On motion of Mr. Carmichael, a

CALL OF THE HOUSE

Was ordered.

The roll was called, and the following members were absent :

Messrs. Arnold, Brost, Dorwin, Doxtader, Earnest, Götze, Kinzie, Marx.

On motion of Mr. Fink, the proceedings under the call was dispensed with by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Brooks, Burnett, Cash, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dousman, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Gray, Greening, Grover, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelley, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Luchsinger, Maxwell, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Ringle, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Sylvester, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassody—67.

Noes—Messrs. B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Hamilton, Hammel, Hubbard, Keogh, Knowlton, Linderman, Mohr, Neuhauser, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Weeks, Wright—18.

Mr. Spence moved the previous question, which being seconded, the main question was ordered by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Bock, Brooks, Burnett, Cash, W. E. Carter, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dousman, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Gray, Greening, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnston, Kast,

Kelly, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Truell, Vance, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wyatt, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—50.

Noes—Messrs. B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Grover, Hamilton, Hammel, Hubbard, Johnson, Keogh, Knowlton, Marx, McCarty, Mohr, Neuhauser, Ringle, Scheuber, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Vincent, Weeks, Wright, Zeiman—27.

The question now being, shall the amendments be adopted and bill ordered engrossed and read a third time, it was carried, and amendments adopted and bill ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Hamilton,
The Assembly adjourned.

THURSDAY, MARCH 1st, 1877.

Assembly met,

The Speaker in the chair.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Thuringer.

The roll was called, and the following members present:

Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Gœtze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Spence, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—95.

Absent on Leave—Messrs. Bailey, Blakeslee, Stapleton—3.

Absent—Messrs. Roche, Shufelt—2.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted to Mr. Roche, indefinitely.

To Mr. Touhey till Monday evening.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 19, A.,
Instructing the State Board of Centennial Managers to appropriate to the Women's State Committee, the sum of \$1,000.
Was on motion, indefinitely postponed.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By A. J. TURNER, Chief Clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:—I am directed to inform you that the Senate requests the return to the Senate for further consideration

No. 78, A.,

A bill to confer civil jurisdiction on the county court of Fond du Lac county.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Enrolled Bills have examined and find correctly enrolled the following bills:

No. 200, A.,

A bill relating to assessors in the city of Janesville, and amendatory of section one (1), of chapter seven (7), of chapter four hundred and seventy-four (474), of the private and local laws of Wisconsin for 1866, entitled "an act to reduce the act incorporating the city of Janesville, and the several acts amendatory thereof into one act, and amend the same."

Jt. Res. No. 28, A.,

Relating to stereotyping plates of geological survey reports.

No. 344, A.,

A bill relating to deposits of married women, trustees and minors in savings banks.

No. 223, A.,

A bill relating to the partition of real estate. and amendatory of chapter 142 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the partition of lands owned by several persons.

No. 343, A.,

A bill relating to the State Historical Society.

No. 214, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of Frank Higgins, a justice of the peace in the county of La Fayette.

JOHN J. SENN,
Chairman.

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

The Select Committee consisting of Mr. Spence, to whom was referred

No. 377, A.,

A bill authorizing the making and filing of proofs of tax sales in Fond du Lac county.

Report the same back with the recommendation that it be referred to the Judiciary Committee.

T. W. SPENCE,
Committee.

The Select Committee to whom No. 81, A., was referred for perfection, report the same back by substitute, consisting of the original bill with the amendments already adopted, rewritten, and recommend the passage of the same.

G. E. NEWMAN,
S. J. SEYMOUR,
Committee.

The substitute for No. 81, A., was ordered printed.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE LAYING OVER, CONSIDERED.

No. 65, A.,

A bill relating to the assessment of property for taxation and the levy of taxes thereon, and amendatory of section 33, of chapter 130, of the laws of 1868.

Amendments adopted.

Mr. Pierce offered the following amendment:

Amend by striking out the word "first," where it first occurs in said 1st section, and insert the word "fifteenth" in place thereof. Adopted, and bill ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 114, A.,

A bill relating to the public printing, amendatory of section 16, of chapter 243, of the laws of 1874.

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 300, A.,

A bill declaring certain portions of Spring street road in the town of Wauwatosa, a county highway, and providing for the improvement thereof.

Mr. Arnold moved to lay the bill on the table.

Lost.

The question being upon the amendment reported by the Committee on Roads and Bridges, it was lost, the amendment which was reported by the Milwaukee County Delegation adopted, and bill ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 298, A.,

A bill to require Christian Burkhardt, his heirs and assigns, to sluice logs through a certain dam on Willow river, now owned by him, and to authorize the collection of tolls for such sluicing.

On motion of Mr. Dailey,

The rules were suspended, and the bill was read a third time and passed.

No. 454, A.,

A bill relating to the expenses of persons doing business for the state.

No. 112, A.,

A bill to provide for the purchase of paper required for public printing and blank books, amendatory of section 1, of chapter 200, of the laws of 1874.

Were each ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 133, S.,

A bill to amend section 2, chapter 71, general laws of 1858, entitled "an act for the keeping of insane persons."

Was tabled.

No. 260, S.,

A bill providing stationery and postage stamps for clerks and employes of the legislature.

Mr. Seymour moved to lay the amendments and bill on the table, which was lost by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Arnot, Bock, Brost, Burnett, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Deland, Doxtader, Dousman, Flanders, Flinn, Hammel, Hulburt, Knowlton, Luchsinger, Marx, Merrill, Newman, Sarnow, Seymour, Sylvester, Walker—22.

Noes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Brooks, Cash, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Dixon, Dorwin, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Gray, Greening, Grover, Götze, Hamilton, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Maxwell, McCollum, McCarty, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Owen, Pierce, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Senn, Scheuber, Spence, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassody—68.

Mr. Pierce offered the following amendment, strike out the words "five weeks" and insert in lieu thereof the words "three weeks."

Lost.

And the amendment reported by the Committee of the Whole was adopted and bill ordered read a third time.

No. 32, S.,

A bill to provide for the publication of the transactions of the Wisconsin Dairymen's Association.

No. 52, S.,

A bill to provide for the protection of game in the county of Burnett.

No. 33, S.,

A bill relating to the Namekagon and Totogatic Dam Company, and amendatory of chapter 452 of private and local laws of Wisconsin for 1869, and the several acts amendatory thereof.

No. 124, S.,

A bill appointing four trustees for the Galesville University, and authorizing the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in

the United States of America, to appoint eight trustees therefor, also repealing section one (1), of chapter eleven (11), of the private and local laws of 1862, and chapter 259, of the private and local laws of 1870.

Were each ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 23, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 139, of the laws of 1875, entitled "an act to amend section 3 of chapter 78, of the general laws of 1867, entitled 'an act for the protection of game.'"

Mr. Cash offered the following amendment:

Amend section one by inserting after the word "possession" in the 13th line of the printed bill, "except it be shown that the same was taken between the 15th day of September and the 15th day of January."

Adopted.

And bill ordered to a third reading.

No. 210, S.,

A bill concerning town boards of review.

Amendment adopted, and bill ordered read a third time.

No. 394, A.,

A bill making appropriations to agricultural societies and industrial societies.

No. 451, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money therein named.

No. 401, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the St. John's Home of Milwaukee a sum of money.

No. 217, A.,

A bill for the publication of delinquent tax lists.

No. 353, A.,

A bill to provide for the letting of the tax list printing, in the several counties of this state, to the lowest bidder.

Were each indefinitely postponed.

No. 297, A.,

A bill to provide for a more accurate and complete collection and publication of statistics.

Was, on motion, tabled.

No. 392, A.,

A bill to appropriate to St. Luke's Hospital, of Racine, five hundred dollars.

Was indefinitely postponed by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Balwin, Black, Bock, Brooks, Brost, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dale, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, Fink, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Getze, Herron, Hulburt, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Ries, Ringle, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Spence, Sylvester, Tisch, Van Waters, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—56.

Noes—Messrs. Arnold, Burnett, Cash, Carmichael, Dailey, Earn-

est, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Grover, Hammel, Hubbard, Hull, Hyde, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knowlton, Marx, McCarty, Mohr, Phillips, Pope, Rice, Scheuber, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Wall, Weeks—34.

No. 397, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the Home of the Friendless, a sum of money.

Was indefinitely postponed by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, Fink, H. J. Fisk, Gray, Greening, Gætzke, Hulburt, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Linderman, Luchsinger, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Pope, Rice, Ringle, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Spence, Sylvester, Tisch, Van Waters, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—57.

Noes—Messrs. Arnold, Carmichael, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Grover, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Knowlton, Lindsay, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Mohr, Phillips, Scheuber, Shepard, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Wall, Weeks, Wright—35.

No. 398, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the St. Emelianus Orphan Asylum, of Milwaukee a sum of money.

No. 399, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the St. Joseph's Orphan Asylum, of Milwaukee, a sum of money.

No. 400, A.,

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A bill to appropriate to the Sailors' Bethel Home of Milwaukee, a sum of money.

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A bill to appropriate to the Free Religious Association of Milwaukee a sum of money.

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A bill to appropriate to the Home of the Friendless, at Fond du Lac, a sum of money therein named.

Were severally indefinitely postponed by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin Doxtader, Dousman, Fink, H. J. Fisk, Gray, Greening, Gætzke, Herron,

Hulburt, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Spence, Sylvester, Tisch, Van Waters, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—64.

Noes—Messrs. Arnold, Carmichael, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Grover, Hamilton, Hammel, Hubbard, Hull, Hyde, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Knowlton, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Mohr, Phillips, Scheuber, Shepard, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Wall—29.

On motion of Mr. Spence,
The Assembly adjourned till 7:30 P. M.

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Assembly met,
The Speaker in the chair.

The roll was called, and the following members present:

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Absent on leave—Messrs. Bailey, Blakeslee, Roche, Stapleton—4.

Absent—Mr. H. J. Fisk.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Was granted to Mr. H. J. Fisk till Friday morning.

JAN. 1, 1877, 1878, 1879

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The Select Committee, consisting of Mr. Spence, to whom was referred

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the laws of 1875, and to amend an act entitled an act to revise,
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and the several acts amendatory thereof, approved March 8, 1875.

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A bill concerning the acknowledgment of certain deeds.

No. 132, S.,

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Adams county.

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lands to loan a portion of the trust funds of the state to the coun-
ty of Polk.

And has amended, and concurred in as amended,

No. 78, A.,

A bill to confer civil jurisdiction on the county court of Fond
du Lac county.

And returns

No. 23, A.,

A bill relating to town treasurers, and defining their duties in
certain cases.

Without further action.

And has refused to concur in

No. 201, A.,

A bill relating to the election of city marshals in the city of
Janesville, and amendatory of section 4, of chapter 223, of the
private and local laws of 1867, entitled "an act to amend chapter
474, of the private and local laws of 1866," and the several acts
amendatory thereto.

No. 243, A.,

A bill to provide for the establishing of two election precincts in
the town of Milwaukee, in the county of Milwaukee.

No. 5, A.,

A bill to amend section 44 of chapter 165, of the Revised Stat-
utes, entitled "of offenses against property, and the act amendato-
ry thereof."

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

No. 78, A.,

Was taken up and Senate amendments concurred in.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By Committee on Lumber and Manufactures :

No. 456, A.,

A bill to authorize the collection of lumber statistics.

To General File.

No. 378, A., was referred to a Special Committee of one; Mr. Spence.

On motion of Mr. Luchsinger, No. 454, A., was recommitted to the Committee on Claims.

On motion of Mr. McCollum,

No. 115, A.,

A bill to authorize A. M. Woodbury to build and maintain a pontoon bridge across the Wisconsin river.

Was taken from File, rules suspended, amendment adopted, read a third time and passed.

Title amended to read as follows :

A bill to authorize Albert M. Woodbury to build and maintain a pontoon bridge across the Wisconsin river, from some point in northwest quarter of section No. nineteen (19), in township No. eight north, of range No. three east, in Iowa county, Wisconsin, to some point in section No. twelve, in township No. nine north, of range No. three east, in Sauk county, Wisconsin.

SENATE BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

No. 32, S.,

A bill to provide for the publication of the transactions of the Wisconsin Dairymen's Association.

Was read a third time, and the Assembly refused to concur in the bill by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Arnold, Phineas Baldwin, Brooks, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Dailey, Deland, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Flinn, Greening, Grover, Hubbard, Innis, Johnson, Kelly, Knowlton, Luchsinger, Maxwell, McCollum, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Sylvester, Truell, Wall, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks—38.

Noes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnot, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Bock, Brost, Burnett, Cash, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dale, Dixon, Fink, W. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Gray, Görtze, Hamil-

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No. 246, S.,

A bill to provide stationery and postage stamps for clerks and employes of the legislature.

Mr. Dousman moved to indefinitely postpone the bill.

Which motion prevailed by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Abell, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Bock, Brost, Burnett, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Fink, W. J. Fisk, Field, Flinders, Greening, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Kast, Knowlton, Leavens, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCarty, Merrill, Nelson, Newman, Phillips, Ries, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Shepard, Spence, Sylvester, Tisch, Wall, Walker, Wedig, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—53.

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No. 124, S.,

Was laid aside until Friday next.

No. 33, S.,

A bill relating to the Namakagon and Totogatic Dam Company, and amendatory of chapter 452, of the private and local laws of Wisconsin for 1869, and the several acts amendatory thereof.

No. 23, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 139, of the laws of 1875, entitled "an act to amend section 3 of chapter 78, of the general laws of 1867, entitled 'an act for the protection of game.'"

No. 210, S.,

A bill concerning town boards of review.

No. 52, S.,

A bill to provide for the protection of game in the county of Burnett.

Were severally read a third time and concurred in.

ASSEMBLY BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

M. C. No. 12, A.,

To Congress for a survey of Wolf river, from lake Poygan to the mouth of Red river.

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A bill to detach a portion of the city of Neenah, and attach the same to the city of Menasha.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By Mr. W. J. Fisk :

Jt. Res. No. 34, A.,

Resolved by the Assembly, the Senate concurring, That the secretary of state be and he is hereby instructed to forward to each member of the legislature, copies of the journal of their houses respectively, and copies of all laws passed at the present session, at as early a day as is convenient.

To Committee on Legislative Expenditures.

By Mr. Hubbard :

J. Res. No. 35, A.,

WHEREAS, Our Representatives in Congress are at this critical time compelled to act without any opportunity to consult their constituents upon the very important question now attracting the attention of the whole country, therefore

Resolved by the Assembly, the Senate concurring: That it is for the best interests of all concerned, that no dilatory proceedings be had in Congress calculated to defeat the action of the electoral commission.

Resolved, further, That this action is taken without any reference to approval or condemnation of the acts of said electoral commission.

Resolved, That the Speaker of the Assembly and President of the Senate be requested to telegraph these resolutions to the Speaker of the House of Representatives at Washington.

Rules were suspended, read three several times, and adopted.

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general laws of 1871.

No. 168, S.,

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to amend chapter 262 of
the laws of 1875, and to amend an act entitled an act to revise,
consolidate and amend an act to incorporate the city of Green Bay,
and the several acts amendatory thereof, approved March 8, 1875.

No. 134, S.,

A bill concerning the acknowledgment of certain deeds.

No. 132, S.,

A bill to lay out and establish a state road from the town of
Hancock, Waushara county, to the town of Strong's Prairie, in
Adams county.

No. 49, S.,

A bill to authorize the commissioners of school and university
lands to loan a portion of the trust funds of the state to the coun-
ty of Polk.

And has amended, and concurred in as amended,

No. 78, A.,

A bill to confer civil jurisdiction on the county court of Fond
du Lac county.

And returns

No. 23, A.,

A bill relating to town treasurers, and defining their duties in
certain cases.

Without further action.

And has refused to concur in

No. 201, A.,

A bill relating to the election of city marshals in the city of
Janesville, and amendatory of section 4, of chapter 223, of the
private and local laws of 1867, entitled "an act to amend chapter
474, of the private and local laws of 1866," and the several acts
amendatory thereto.

No. 243, A.,

A bill to provide for the establishing of two election precincts in
the town of Milwaukee, in the county of Milwaukee.

No. 5, A.,

A bill to amend section 44 of chapter 165, of the Revised Stat-
utes, entitled "of offenses against property, and the act amendato-
ry thereof."

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

No. 78, A.,

Was taken up and Senate amendments concurred in.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By Committee on Lumber and Manufactures :

No. 456, A.,

A bill to authorize the collection of lumber statistics.

To General File.

No. 378, A., was referred to a Special Committee of one; Mr. Spence.

On motion of Mr. Luchsinger, No. 454, A., was recommitted to the Committee on Claims.

On motion of Mr. McCollum,

No. 115, A.,

A bill to authorize A. M. Woodbury to build and maintain a pontoon bridge across the Wisconsin river.

Was taken from File, rules suspended, amendment adopted, read a third time and passed.

Title amended to read as follows :

A bill to authorize Albert M. Woodbury to build and maintain a pontoon bridge across the Wisconsin river, from some point in northwest quarter of section No. nineteen (19), in township No. eight north, of range No. three east, in Iowa county, Wisconsin, to some point in section No. twelve, in township No. nine north, of range No. three east, in Sauk county, Wisconsin.

SENATE BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

No. 32, S.,

A bill to provide for the publication of the transactions of the Wisconsin Dairyman's Association.

Was read a third time, and the Assembly refused to concur in the bill by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Arnold, Phineas Baldwin, Brooks, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Dailey, Deland, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Flinn, Greening, Grover, Hubbard, Innis, Johnson, Kelly, Knowlton, Luchsinger, Maxwell, McCollum, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Sylvester, Truell, Wall, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks—38.

Noes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnot, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Bock, Brost, Burnett, Cash, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dale, Dixon, Fink, W. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Gray, Götze, Hamil-

ton, Hammel, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnston, Kast, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Marx, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Sarnow, Spence, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Vance, Vincent, Walker, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—55.

No. 246, S.,

A bill to provide stationery and postage stamps for clerks and employes of the legislature.

Mr. Dousman moved to indefinitely postpone the bill.

Which motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Abell, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. I. Baldwin, Black, Bock, Brost, Burnett, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Fink, W. J. Fisk, Field, Flinders, Greening, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Kast, Knowlton, Leavens, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCarty, Merrill, Nelson, Newman, Phillips, Ries, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Shepard, Spence, Sylvester, Tisch, Wall, Walker, Wedig, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—53.

Noes—Messrs. Anderson, Arnold, Brooks, Cash, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Earnest, Fitzgerald, Flinn, Gray, Grover, Hubbard, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Lindsay, McCollum, Mitchell, Mohr, Neuhauser, Owen, Pierce, Pope, Rice, Ringle, Scheuber, Shufelt, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Van Waters, Wannemaker, Weeks—38.

No. 124, S.,

Was laid aside until Friday next.

No. 33, S.,

A bill relating to the Namakagon and Totogatic Dam Company, and amendatory of chapter 452, of the private and local laws of Wisconsin for 1869, and the several acts amendatory thereof.

No. 23, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 139, of the laws of 1875, entitled "an act to amend section 3 of chapter 78, of the general laws of 1867, entitled 'an act for the protection of game.'"

No. 210, S.,

A bill concerning town boards of review.

No. 52, S.,

A bill to provide for the protection of game in the county of Burnett.

Were severally read a third time and concurred in.

ASSEMBLY BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

M. C. No. 12, A.,

To Congress for a survey of Wolf river, from lake Poygan to the mouth of Red river.

No. 373, A.,

A bill to detach a portion of the city of Neenah, and attach the same to the city of Menasha.

No. 318, A.,

A bill relating to the charter of the city of Menasha, and amendatory of chapter 127, of the laws of 1874, and chapter 343, of the laws of 1875.

No. 177, A.,

A bill to improve the Cunningham creek, in Clark county, Wisconsin, and to grant to Chauncey Blakeslee, his successors or assigns, certain powers and privileges therein named.

No. 425, A.,

A bill to authorize the county board of supervisors of the county of Adams to sell and dispose of all the lands owned by said county for the purpose therein set forth.

No. 178, A.,

A bill to extend the time for the construction of the North Wisconsin Railway, and to waive the forfeiture therein referred to.

No. 389, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 303, of the general laws of 1873, entitled "act to amend chapter 58 of the Revised Statutes, and the act amendatory thereto, entitled 'of weights and measures.'"

No. 265, A.,

A bill to authorize James Hewitt to maintain a dam across Wedge's creek in Clark county, Wisconsin.

Were severally read a third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. W. E. Carter,
The Assembly resolved itself into a

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

On the General File of bills.

Mr. Leavens in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman reported as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: The Assembly, in Committee of the Whole, has had under consideration the General File of bills, has made some progress therein, and has instructed me to report the following bills to the Assembly for its consideration, and ask leave to sit again:

No. 10, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 314 of the general laws of 1876, entitled "an act relating to trespassing on state lands" and for the repeal of chapter 21 of the general laws of 1871, entitled "an act to consolidate and amend the laws relating to trespassing on state land."

No. 289, A.,

A bill to make it the duty of the city clerk to itemize all tax rolls of the city of Watertown.

No. 126, S.,

A bill relating to court commissioners, their appointment, powers and duties, and amendatory of section 94, of chapter 13, of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of counties and county officers," and the several acts amendatory thereof.

No. 237, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 130, general laws of 1868, entitled "an act to provide for the assessment of property for taxation, and the levy of taxes thereon."

No. 349, A.,

A bill to define duties of town officers in certain cases.

No. 251, S.,

A bill to protect makers of notes given to fire insurance companies for payment of premiums.

Each with amendments.

No. 449, A.,

A bill to amend section 2, of chapter 385, of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act to lay out, open, and establish a state road from, at or near Jenny, in Lincoln county, to Westboro, in Taylor county, and to intersect the new Yellow river road, in Chippewa county, at a point on the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of section 5, town 32, range 5, west."

No. 162, S.,

A bill to appropriate to Sylvester G. H. Crocker, the sum of money therein named.

No. 266, A.,

A bill to lay out and establish a state road in the county of Clark.

No. 368, A.,

A bill to provide for the examination and licensing of mechanical engineers.

No. 369, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 137, of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act to amend section 6, of chapter 134, of the Revised Statutes, entitled 'of executions and proceedings supplementary thereto.'"

No. 455, A.,

A bill relating to the expenses of persons doing business for the state.

No. 391, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 313 of the private and local laws of 1869, entitled "an act to authorize the use of the money arising from the sale of certain swamp and overflowed lands in the county of Portage for drainage purposes, and to amend chapter 537, of the laws of 1865, relating thereto, and all acts amendatory thereof."

No. 114, S.,

A bill relating to the reduction of the price of swamp and overflowed lands in Jackson county.

No. 198, S.,

A bill relating to corporations organized under the laws of this state and amendatory of section 8, chapter 141, laws of 1872, of an act entitled "an act to authorize the organization of corporations for other than manufacturing, mercantile, insurance, banking, transportation, or trading purposes."

No. 179, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 321, of the laws of 1874, entitled "an act to amend an act, entitled 'an act to incorporate the city of Grand Rapids.'"

No. 172, S.,

A bill limiting the term of imprisonment of persons committed to jail for non-payment of fines.

Jt. Res. No. 31, A.,

Directing the governor to place to the credit of his contingent fund certain moneys.

Jt. Res. No. 42, A.,

Directing the Board of Centennial managers to pay over to the governor a certain sum of money.

Jt. Res. No. 33, A.,

Directing the secretary of state to transfer certain moneys to the general fund.

Each without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Merrill,
The Assembly adjourned.

FRIDAY, MARCH 2, 1877.

Assembly met,

The Speaker in the chair.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Thuringer.

The roll was called, and the following members present:

Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Gøtze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Van Waters, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—94.

Absent on Leave—Messrs. Bailey, Roche, Stapleton, Touhey—4.

Absent—Messrs. Maxwell, Wall—2.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted to Mr. Maxwell, indefinitely.

To Mr. Wall till Monday evening.

To Messrs. Van Waters, Thornton, Shepard, Nelson and Mohr, (after morning session) till Monday evening.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Pope :

Jt. Res. No. 36, A.,

Resolved, by the Assembly, the Senate concurring, That the quartermaster general of the state, at the hour of 12 o'clock, noon, to-day, fire a salute of 100 guns in the Capital Park, in honor of the peaceful solution by congress of the presidential question.

Read, and adopted by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Burnett, Cash, W. E. Carter, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Gray, Greening, Grover, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luschsinger, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Sylvester, Truell, Vance, Walker, Weeks, Wyatt, Mr. Speaker Cassody—62.

Noes—Messrs. Brost, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Earnest, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Götze, Hamilton, Hammel, Johnson, Keogh, Kinzie, Knowlton, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Mohr, Neuhäuser, Ringle, Scheuber, Tisch, Thornton, Vincent, Van Waters, Wannemaker, Wedig, Wright, Zeiman—30.

By Mr. Hubbard :

Jt. Res. No. 37, A.,

WHEREAS, It is necessary for the enlightenment of their constituents and the benefit of posterity, that notices of the works and good qualities of each of the members of the Assembly and Senate of Wisconsin, should be written and published in some newspaper, for circulation among the said constituents ; and

WHEREAS, Such notices cost, when published in certain Chicago newspapers, one dollar per line ; and

WHEREAS, Money is scarce, times are hard, and fame desirable ; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly, the Senate concurring : That the secretary of state be and he is hereby instructed to draw his warrant upon the state treasurer, and the state treasurer is required to pay the same, for a sum sufficient to pay for notices for each of the members of the Assembly and Senate, according to the following schedule:

For a member of either house serving his first year, ten dollars, and five dollars for each additional year which they may have served ; *provided*, that no member shall be allowed to draw a greater sum than twenty-five dollars, no matter how long he may have served, nor what the expenses of his election may have been.

Resolved, That each member be requested to furnish the chief clerk of the house to which he belongs, the most creditable features of his history, together with any imaginative efforts, which, in his opinion, may increase his strength with his constituents, and that the chief clerk may add such literary embellishments to such sketches as he may deem proper.

Resolved, That the chief clerk, sergeant-at-arms, and their assistants, door-keepers and messenger boys, be allowed three dollars each for similar notices of themselves, to be paid for in the same manner as the notices for members are paid.

Was read, rules suspended.

Mr. Luchsinger moved to refer to the Committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

Lost.

Mr. Ries moved to refer to Committee on Medical Societies.

Lost.

Mr. Leavens moved to indefinitely postpone the resolution.

Lost.

Mr. Weeks moved to refer to Committee on Militia.

Lost.

Mr. Rice moved to lay on the table.

Lost.

Mr. Leavens moved to refer to a Select Committee of One: (Mr. Hubbard.)

Lost.

Mr. Fink moved a call of the house.

Lost.

The question now being upon the adoption,

Mr. Fink moved to postpone the further consideration until to-morrow.

Mr. Spence moved to amend the motion of Mr. Fink, until the day after.

Upon which Mr. Hubbard called for the ayes and noes.

Mr. Pope moved to lay the resolution on the table.

Carried.

By Mr. Dousman :

Jt. Res. No. 38, A.,

Resolved, *By the Assembly, the Senate concurring*, That the superintendent of public property be and he is hereby authorized to sell, in his discretion to such of the employes of the present Senate and Assembly as are not entitled to draw stationery, such articles of stationery in his possession, which can be spared, as they may select, at the same price charged therefor to members of the legislature, they paying him therefor; the money so received to be by him paid into the state treasury.

Rules suspended and resolution adopted.

RESOLUTION CONSIDERED.

Res. No. 50, A.,

Instructing committees to report,

Was taken up.

Mr. Luchsinger offered the following amendment:

Amend by excepting the Joint Committee on Claims.

On motion of Mr. W. E. Carter, the amendment and resolution was laid on the table.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS.

STATE OF WISCONSIN, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

MADISON, March 2, 1877.

To the Honorable, the Assembly:

I return herewith, without signature, to the Assembly, the house in which it originated,

No. 230, A.,

A bill entitled "an act to increase the amount of the official bond of the clerk of the circuit court for Milwaukee county."

So far as this bill proposes to control moneys belonging to individuals and paid into court pursuant to an order of the court or in some legal proceeding, its passage is unnecessary, as under existing laws the court exercises, or can exercise, the power of directing their investment or deposit.

So far as the bill purposes to control the deposit of penalties, forfeitures, jury fees, &c., which are the property of the county, and for which the clerk is responsible and his bail liable, I regard the the policy of its passage as more than questionable, since its effect would be to make one public officer legally responsible for these moneys, and give to another public officer, in no way responsible therefor, the absolute right to direct their place of keeping.

Another, even more serious objection, to the bill is found in the power it gives to the judge of the circuit court for Milwaukee county, to designate the place of deposit of all moneys and property which shall be paid into the county court of said county, or which shall come into the hands of the clerk thereof by virtue of his office, or which shall be deposited with or paid the said clerk in any action or proceeding or matter in said county court.

For these reasons I have withheld my approval from the bill.

HARRISON LUDINGTON,

Governor.

STATE OF WISCONSIN, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

MADISON, March 1, 1877.

To the Honorable, the Assembly:

I herewith return without signature, to the house in which it originated,

No. 274, A.,

A bill to authorize the county board of supervisors of Milwaukee county to levy a special tax for the payment of county bonds, which become due in 1880.

This bill is so ambiguous in its terms that it is uncertain whether it authorizes the levying of a tax of eight thousand dollars or a tax of sixteen thousand dollars, during the years 1877 and 1878, and as an improper extension of the language of the bill might invalidate the taxes levied under it, and so open the way for much costly and vexatious litigation, between the county and its

taxpayers, I have felt compelled to withhold my approval from the bill.

I may add that were it unequivocal in its language I should doubt the wisdom of its passage.

HARRISON LUDINGTON.

Governor.

To the Honorable, the Assembly:

The following entitled bills, memorials and joint resolutions, originating in the Assembly, have severally received the executive approval, and have been deposited in the office of the secretary of state:

No. 91, A.,

An act to amend chapter 67, of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1876, entitled "an act to authorize the taking of fish in the public waters of the state, for the purposes of artificial propagation."

No. 434, A.,

An act to amend section 2, of chapter 222, general laws of 1874, entitled "an act to amend and revise the charter of the city of Wausau."

No. 229, A.,

An act to prevent fraud by coloring grain.

No. 52, A.,

An act amendatory of and supplementary to the charter of the city of Milwaukee.

No. 173, A.,

An act to incorporate the city of Chilton.

No. 273, A.,

An act to amend section 1 of chapter 253 of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act to provide for the support of the poor of Milwaukee county."

No. 111 A.,

An act to legalize the acts of Wayne B. Dyer, as justice of the peace in the village of Durand and county of Pepin.

No. 129, A.,

An act regulating the salary of the county judge of Milwaukee county.

No. 301, A.,

An act to levy a special tax in the ninth and tenth wards in the city of Milwaukee, for the purchase of a public park.

No. 118, A.,

An act relating to town insurance companies.

No. 98, A.,

An act to appropriate to the fish commissioners of the State of Wisconsin, a sum of money therein named.

No. 58, A.,

An act for the limitation of tax certificates owned by counties and municipal corporations.

No. 164, A.,

An act to authorize the city of Racine to appropriate certain moneys.

No. 59, A.,

An act relating to witness fees in courts of record, and amendatory of chapter 146 of the general laws of 1869.

No. 66, A.,

An act relating to public printing, and amendatory of section 28 of chapter 243 of the general laws of 1874.

No. 72, A.,

An act relating to liens for labor upon logs and timber in Chippewa, Lincoln and Taylor counties, and amendatory of section 1 of chapter 372 of the general laws of 1876, entitled "an act to amend sections 1 and 12 of chapter 186 of the general laws of 1861," and also to repeal chapter 161 of the laws of 1874, entitled "an act to amend chapter 186 of general laws of 1861."

No. 251, A.,

An act relating to the registration of the names of persons who have heretofore or may hereafter declare their intentions to become citizens, or who have been or may hereafter be admitted to become citizens of the United States of America, and amendatory of chapter 60, laws of 1866.

HARRISON LUDINGTON,
Governor.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Claims have had under consideration

No. 2, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the state prison a sum of money therein named.

And recommend that it be concurred in.

JOHN LUCHSINGER,
Chairman.

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

The Grant County Delegation have had under consideration the following bill, and report the same back as follows:

No. 378, A.,

A bill to amend section 41, of chapter 148, laws of 1873, entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Boscobel.

With the recommendation that the said bill do pass.

JOSEPH BOCK,
Chairman.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By A. J. TURNER, Chief Clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:—I am directed to inform you that the Senate has refused to concur in

Jt. Res. No. 36, A.,

Joint resolution instructing the quartermaster general to fire a salute of 100 guns in honor of the peaceful solution of the presidential question.

The Assembly amendments to

No. 185, S.,

A bill to submit to the people an amendment to section 2, of article VIII., of the constitution of this state.

And requests the return to the Senate of

No. 5, A.,

A bill to amend section 44, of chapter 165, of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of offenses against property," and the act amendatory thereof.

Has passed and asks the concurrence of the Assembly in

No. 225, S.,

A bill to appropriate to St. Nazian Society of the county of Manitowoc, a sum of money therein named.

No. 218, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the St. Frances Orphan Asylum for girls, of the city of La Crosse, and to the St. Michael's Asylum for boys, of the city of La Crosse, the sums of money therein named.

No. 199, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the Cadle Home of Green Bay, five hundred dollars.

No. 221, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the St. Rose Asylum of Milwaukee, a sum of money therein named.

No. 219, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the St. Emelianus Orphan Asylum, of Milwaukee, a sum of money therein named.

No. 223, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the Orphan's Association, of Milwaukee, a sum of money therein named.

No. 220, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the Milwaukee Industrial School a sum of money therein named.

No. 222, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the St. Joseph's Orphan Asylum, of Milwaukee, a sum of money therein named.

No. 224, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the Home of the Friendless, of Milwaukee, a sum of money therein named.

No. 211, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the Northern Wisconsin Agricultural and Mechanical Association a sum of money therein named.

No. 101, S.,

A bill to supply the state capitol with water, and to protect it from fire.

No. 60, S.,

A bill to legalize the organization of school district No. 2, in the town of Little Wolf, in Waupaca county.

No. 261, S.,

A bill to legalize the acts of joint district No. 4, of the city and town of Manitowoc.

No. 186, S.,

A bill in relation to the county and state canvass of votes.

No. 197, S.,

A bill relating to the Sturgeon Bay and Lake Michigan ship canal, and to amend chapter 365, of the private and local laws of 1864, entitled "an act to incorporate the Sturgeon Bay and Lake Michigan Ship Canal, and Harbor Company," approved April 2, 1864.

No. 11, A.,

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the town of Kinnikinnic, in St. Croix county.

No. 63, A.,

A bill relating to attorneys' fees in justice courts, and amendatory of section 1, of chapter 96, of the laws of 1876.

No. 75, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 27, of the general laws of 1875, entitled "an act to amend chapter 423, private and local laws of 1871, entitled 'an act to authorize the county clerk of Door county, to make and keep an abstract of tax sales, deeds, and redemptions in said county,' and to revise said chapter 423."

No. 150, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of the supervisors of Star Prairie, St. Croix county.

No. 155, A.,

A bill relating to evidence.

No. 169, A.,

A bill in relation to exchange of laws, documents, and Supreme Court reports of this state.

No. 171, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 164, of the laws of 1873, entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Fort Howard," approved March 14, 1873.

No. 180, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money to the governor for the benefit of the state library, and to repeal chapter 21 general laws of 1864, and sections one and eight of chapter 26, of Revised Statutes.

No. 226, A.,

A bill in relation to the settlement of estates when the county judge is incapacitated, and to amend section 6, of chapter 117, of the Revised Statutes.

No. 250, A.,

A bill relating to drainage in the city of Manitowoc, and amend

atory of section 7, of chapter 228, of the laws of Wisconsin of 1875.

No. 253, A.,

A bill relating to costs and fees, and amendatory of sections 1 and 4, chapter 133, Revised Statutes, and the several acts amendatory thereof.

No. 255, A.,

A bill relating to actions and proceedings by non-resident guardians, and amendatory of section 1, of chapter 73, general laws of 1871.

No. 259, A.,

A bill relating to town insurance companies, to legalize the action of the Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company of the towns of Troy and East Troy, of the county of Walworth.

No. 269, A.,

A bill to amend section 32, of chapter 130, of the general laws of 1868, entitled "an act to provide for the assessment of property for taxation and the levy of taxes thereon."

No. 285, A.,

A bill to amend section one, of chapter 299, of the laws of 1873, entitled "an act to amend chapter 56, general laws of 1870, entitled 'an act to provide for the incorporation and government of fire and inland navigation insurance companies.'"

No. 379, A.,

A bill to amend an act to incorporate the State Firemen's Association of Wisconsin.

No. 388, A.,

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the town of Marietta, in Crawford county.

No. 413, A.,

A bill relating to the catching of fish in Pecatonica river and its tributaries in Lafayette county.

No. 417, A.,

A bill relating to the Supreme Court, and amendatory of chapter 284 of the laws of 1876.

No. 333, A.,

A bill to authorize the county board of supervisors of the county of Clark to levy and collect a tax for the purpose of building roads in Clark county, Wisconsin.

Jt. Res. No. 15, A.,

Joint Resolution asking Congress to make an appropriation to construct a light-house at the mouth of the harbor of Menomonee.

M. C. No. 8, A.,

To Congress for the establishment of a mail route from Friendship, in the county of Adams, to Liberty Bluff, in the county of Marquette.

M. C. No. 11, A.,

To Congress for mail service, from Eau Claire to Rice Lake, in Barron county.

M. C. No. 9, A.,

To Congress, to provide fish ways to the dams on Fox River.

And has amended and concurred in as amended.

No. 195, A.,

A bill relating to the organization of corporations for manufacturing and other purposes, and amendatory of section 12, of chapter 144, of the general laws of 1872.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Read first and second times and referred.

Nos. 21 and 189, S.,

Were each referred to General File.

Nos. 161 and 174, S.,

Were each referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

No. 208, S.,

To Committee on Roads and Bridges.

No. 94, S.,

To Committee on Lumber and Manufactures.

No. 61, S.,

To Committee on Public Improvements.

Nos. 225, 218, 199, 221, 219, 223, 220, 222, 224, 211, S.,

Were referred to the General File.

Nos. 101, and 86, S.,

To Committee on State Affairs.

No. 60, S.,

To Judiciary Committee.

Nos. 60, 261 and 197, S.,

To Committee on Judiciary.

SENATE BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

No. 2, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the state prison a sum of money therein named, for current expenses and general repairs.

Was read a third time and concurred in by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Neuhauser, Newman, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Van Waters, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—81.

Noes—0.

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No. 124, S.,

A bill appointing four trustees for the Galesville University, and authorizing the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, to appoint eight trustees therefor, also repealing section one (1), of chapter eleven (11), of the private and local laws of 1862, and chapter 259, of the private and local laws of 1870.

Was read a third time and concurred in

Mr. Cash moved to reconsider the vote by which the Assembly refused to concur in No. 32, S., yesterday.

Mr. W. E. Carter moved to lay the motion to reconsider on the table.

Upon which the ayes and noes were ordered, and motion lost by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnot, A. I. Baldwin, Black, Bock, Brost, Burnett, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dixon, Dousman, W. J. Fisk, Fitzgerald, Gray, Greening, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Johnston, Kast, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Marx, Merrill, Newman, Sarnow, Shepard, Spence, Sylvester, Tisch, Vance, Walker, Wyatt—35.

Noes—Messrs. Phineas Baldwin, Blakeslee, Brooks, Cash, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Dale, Deland, Dorwin, Duxtader, Earnest, H. J. Fisk, Field, Flanders, Flinn, Grover, Hubbard, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnson, Kelly, Keogh, Knowlton, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, McCarty, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shufelt, Thornton, Truell, Vincent, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassody—50.

Mr. Flanders moved to postpone further consideration of said bill till to-morrow.

Lost.

The question now being upon reconsideration.

It prevailed and vote re-considered.

Mr. Flanders moved to postpone further consideration till Tuesday next.

Lost.

The question now being, shall the bill be concurred in.

The roll was called and bill concurred in by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Arnold, Phineas Baldwin, Brooks, Cash, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dorwin, Duxtader, Earnest, H. J. Fisk, Field, Flinn, Greening, Grover, Hubbard, Johnson, Kelly, Keogh, Knowlton, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Marx, Mitchell, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Thornton, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Mr. Speaker Cassody—48.

Noes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnot, Black, Bock, Brost, Burnett, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dixon, Dousman, Fink, W. J. Fisk,

Fitzgerald, Flanders, Gray, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hull, Hurlburt, Johnston, Kast, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mohr, Nelson, Rice, Ringle, Sarnow, Spence, Sylvester, Tisch, Walker, Wyatt, Zeiman—40.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE LAYING
OVER, CONSIDERED.

No. 289,

A bill to make it the duty of the city clerk to itemize all tax rolls of the city of Watertown.

No. 349, A.,

A bill to define the duties of town officers in certain cases.

The amendments to each were adopted, each ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 10, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 314 of the general laws of 1876, entitled "an act relating to trespassing on state lands," and for the repeal of chapter 21 of the general laws of 1871, entitled "an act to consolidate and amend the laws relating to trespassing on state land."

No. 391, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 313 of the private and local laws of 1869, entitled "an act to authorize the use of money arising from the sale of certain swamp and overflowed lands in the county of Portage for drainage purposes, and to amend chapter 537, of the laws of 1865, relating thereto, and all acts amendatory thereof."

No. 379, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 137, of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act to amend section 6, of chapter 134, of the Revised Statutes, entitled 'of executions and proceedings supplementary thereto.'"

No. 455, A.,

A bill relating to the expenses of persons doing business for the state.

Jt Res. No. 31, A.,

Directing the governor to place to the credit of his contingent fund certain moneys.

Jt. Res. No. 32, A.,

Directing the Board of Centennial managers to pay over to the governor a certain sum of money.

Jt. Res. No. 33, A.,

Directing the Secretary of state to transfer certain moneys to the general fund.

Were each ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 126, S.,

A bill relating to court commissioners, their appointment, powers and duties, and amendatory of section 94, of chapter 13, of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of counties and county officers," and the several acts amendatory thereof.

No. 172, S.,

A bill limiting the term of imprisonment of persons committed to jail for non-payment of fines.

The amendments to each were adopted, ordered read a third time.

No. 216, A.,

A bill to amend section 6, of chapter 67, general laws of 1871, entitled "an act to protect and encourage the raising of sheep, and discourage the raising of dogs."

No. 237, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 130, general laws of 1868, entitled "an act to provide for the assessment of property for taxation, and the levy of taxes thereon."

Were each indefinitely postponed.

No. 162, S.,

A bill to appropriate to Sylvester G. H. Crocker the sum of money therein named.

No. 179, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 321 of the laws of 1874, entitled "an act to amend an act entitled 'an act to incorporate the city of Grand Rapids.'"

No. 198, S.,

A bill relating to corporations organized under the laws of this state and amendatory of section 8, chapter 141, laws of 1872, of an act entitled "an act to authorize the organization of corporations for other than manufacturing, mercantile, insurance, banking, transportation, or trading purposes."

No. 114, S.,

A bill relating to the reduction of the price of swamp and overflowed lands in Jackson county.

Were each ordered read a third time.

No. 368, A.,

A bill to provide for the examination and licensing of mechanical engineers.

No. 293, A.,

A bill to repeal sections 61 and 62 of chapter 188 of the general laws of 1872, of the incorporation of villages; also to repeal section 7, of chapter 240, of the general laws of 1876, to authorize village boards to lay out streets.

No. 266, A.,

A bill to lay out and establish a state road in the county of Clark.

No. 449, A.,

A bill to amend section 2, of chapter 385, of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act to lay out, open and establish a state road from, at or near Jenny, in Lincoln county, to Westboro, in Taylor county, and to intersect the new Yellow river road, in Chippewa county, at a point on the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of section 5, town 32, range five, west."

No. 121, S.,

A bill to appropriate to Peter Fagg, a sum of money therein named.

No. 251, S.,

A bill to protect makers of notes given to fire insurance companies for payments of premiums.

Were severally indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. Bock, No. 378, A., was taken from file, rules suspended, read a third time and passed. Title amended to correspond with inside of bill.

By unanimous consent, Mr. Ringle introduced the following bill, to correct an error in bill No. 434, A., passed and signed by the governor, during the present session:

No. 457, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 67, of the laws of 1877, entitled "an act to amend section 2, of chapter 222, of the general laws of 1874, entitled 'an act to amend and revise the charter of the city of Wausau.'"

Read first and second times, rules suspended, read a third time, and passed unanimously.

On motion of Mr. Hyde, the vote by which No. 429, A., was indefinitely postponed, yesterday; was reconsidered, and the bill laid over till to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Leavens,

The Assembly resolved itself into a

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

On the General File of Bills,

Mr. Pope in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the Committee rose, and through their chairman reported as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: The Assembly, in Committee of the Whole, has had under consideration the General File of Bills, has gone through with the same, and has instructed me to report the following bills to the Assembly for its consideration:

No. 385, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 449 of the private and local laws of 1869, entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Oconto."

No. 348, A.,

A bill to provide for the organization of road districts.

With a supplement, and passage of the supplement recommended.

No. 238, S.,

A bill to authorize the state treasurer to retain certain moneys belonging to Taylor county, and to pay the same over to the county of Lincoln.

No. 58, S.,

A bill to provide for the action of the commissioners of school and university lands in certain cases.

No. 187, S.,

A bill to amend section 5, of chapter 14, of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of resignations, vacancies and removals, and of supplying vacancies."

Each with amendments.

No. 183, A.,

A bill relating to overseers of highways.

No. 338, A.,

A bill to authorize the judge of the county court of Winnebago county to employ a short-hand reporter.

No. 363, A.,

To appropriate to Nelson McNeil a sum of money therein named.

No. 360, A.,

A bill relating to the sale of real estate owned jointly by minors or persons under guardianship, with other persons, in certain cases.

No. 153, A.,

A bill to reconstruct the 9th judicial circuit, and fix the time for holding the terms thereof, and authorizing the appointment of a phonographic reporter therefor.

No. 135, A.,

A bill to authorize the tender of judgment in justices' courts, in actions on contract, or for involuntary trespass after the commencement of the action.

No. 89, S.,

A bill repealing chapter 385 of the laws of 1876, relating to a state road from Jenny, in Lincoln county, to Westboro, in Taylor county.

No. 231, S.,

A bill to amend section 54 of chapter 134, of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of executions and proceedings supplementary thereto."

No. 26, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 82, of the general laws of 1859, entitled "an act to provide for the more efficient punishment of certain offenses."

Jt. Res. No. 12, S.,

Relating to light house and fog signals on Stannard Rock, Lake Superior.

Each without amendments.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE CONSIDERED.

No. 385, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 449, of the private and local laws of 1869, entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Oconto."

Substitute for adopted, and bill ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 348, A.,

A bill to provide for the organization of road districts.

Substitute adopted, ordered printed and laid aside till printed.

No. 338, A.,

A bill to authorize the judge of the county court of Winnebago county to employ a short hand reporter.

No. 135, A.,

A bill to authorize the tender of judgments in justices' courts, in actions on contract, or for involuntary trespass, after the commencement of the action.

Were each ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 183, A.,

A bill relating to overseers of highways.

Was indefinitely postponed.

No. 187, S.,

A bill to amend section 5, of chapter 14, of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of resignations, vacancies and removals, and of supplying vacancies."

No. 58, S.,

A bill to provide for the action of the commissioners of school and university lands in certain cases.

No. 26, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 82, of the general laws of 1859, entitled "an act to provide for the more efficient punishment of certain offenses."

Jt. Res. No. 12, S.,

Relating to light house and fog signals, on Stannard Rock, Lake Superior.

No. 238, S.,

A bill to authorize the state treasurer to retain certain moneys belonging to Taylor county, and to pay the same over to the county of Lincoln.

Amendments adopted, and ordered read a third time.

No. 360, A.,

A bill relating to the sale of real estate owned jointly by minors or persons under guardianship, with other persons in certain cases.

No. 231, S.,

A bill to amend section 54, of chapter 134, of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of executions and proceedings supplementary thereto."

No. 89, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 74, of the laws of Wisconsin, of 1875, entitled "an act to amend chapter 244, of the laws of 1874, entitled 'an act to declare a certain highway in Door and Kewaunee counties a state road.'"

No. 153, A.,

A bill to reconstruct the 9th judicial circuit, and fix the time of holding the terms thereof, and authorizing the appointment of phonographic reporters therefor.

No. 363, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Nelson McNeal a sum of money therein named.

Were each indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. Spence,
The Assembly adjourned till 7:30 this evening.

7:30 P. M.

Assembly met,

The Speaker in the chair.

The roll was called, and the following members present:

Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Maxwell, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill Mitchell, Neuheuser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—86.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Wall, Van Waters, Bailey, Maxwell, Mohr, Nelson, Roche, Shepard, Thornton, Touhey—10.

Absent—Messrs. Innis, Johnson, Ringle, Wright—4.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Was granted

To Messrs. Owen and Dale (after evening session), till Monday evening.

To Mr. Innis, indefinitely; and

To Mr. Kast, till Saturday morning.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on the Judiciary have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows:

No. 174, S.,

A bill relating to the fees of sheriffs and referees.

No. 161, S.,

Relating to corporations organized under provisions of chapter 113 of the laws of 1874.

No. 261, S.,

A bill to legalize the acts of joint district No. 4, of the city and town of Manitowoc.

No. 60, S.,

A bill to legalize the organization of school district No. 2, in the town of Little Wolf, Waupaca county.

Without amendments and recommendation that each of the same be concurred in.

No. 206, A.,

A bill relating to attorneys, and amendatory of chapter 189, of the laws of Wisconsin for 1861, entitled "an act relating to the admission of attorneys of courts of record."

With amendments and without recommendation.

No. 69, A.,

A bill to provide for an examination before a jury, and amendatory of section 2, of chapter 37, Revised Statutes, entitled "of the support of bastards."

And recommend that the same be indefinitely postponed.

CARL C. POPE,

Chairman.

The Committee on Railroads have had under consideration the following bill, and report the same back as follows:

No. 96, S.,

A bill to distribute more equally the burdens of taxation in certain counties in this state.

The committee have carefully considered the bill. The amount to be paid to the counties under the bill is not limited, except by the amount of the license fees paid, which is too indefinite, and the amount which would go to the counties under the provisions of the bill is, in the opinion of the committee, too large. Your committee would feel constrained to recommend the indefinite postponement of the bill in its present form; but, as a constitutional objection has been suggested to it, we recommend its reference to the Committee on Judiciary.

W. J. FISK,

Chairman.

The Joint Committee on Claims have had under consideration

No. 131, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Peter Feagan a sum of money.

No. 241, A., and Mem. No. 61, A.,

Relating and appropriating to Yates V. Beebe a sum of money.

And report said bills back with two several amendments, and recommend the passage of said two bills when so amended; the opinion of the attorney general relating to these two claims, to be spread upon the journal.

No. 454, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money to John Bowman and others.

And report the same back with amendment; passage recommended when so amended.

No. 103, A.,

A bill providing for the improvement of the condition of the vagrant, dependent, and vicious children of the state.

No. 163, A.,

A bill to appropriate the sum of one hundred and fifteen thousand dollars to the Northern Hospital.

No. 456, A.,

A bill to authorize the collection of lumber statistics.

And report said several bills back with the recommendation that they be severally indefinitely postponed.

JOHN LUCHSINGER,

Chairman.

Accompanied by the following communication.

OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL,
MADISON, March 2, 1877.

The Honorable, the Committee on Claims :

GENTLEMEN:—In regard to the claim of Peter Feagan, it appears that he was commissioned by Gov. Randall as 2nd Lieut. in Co. E., 30th Reg't, Wis. Vol., on the 5th day of December, 1861.

The services rendered previous to that time were under a recruiting commission, and assuming that this contained the usual clause "that it was to be without expense to the state," I do not see that he is entitled to payment for such services.

If after said 5th of December, 1861, he was in camp under orders from the state, he seems to have an equitable claim to be paid for such service. If the committee should be satisfied that Mr. Feagan was actually in the service of the state as Second Lieutenant from the 5th of December, 1861, to March 8, 1862, and has not been paid for that time, he should be paid, with interest, from 1869, the time he first presented his claim for payment.

The claim of Yates V. Beebe comes within the same rule. He had a recruiting commission, dated October 15, 1861, "without expense to the state until accepted;" reported forty men enlisted, and on the 14th of November was authorized to place them at board at the expense of the state, and on the 26th day of December, 1861, was commissioned captain in "Beebe's artillery."

If he was in camp under orders of the state under this last commission, he should be paid from its date, with interest from the time his claim was first presented.

As a general rule, the state is presumed to pay all just claims promptly, and interest should not be allowed until demand and refusal to pay.

Very Respectfully,

A. SCOTT SLOAN,
Attorney General.

The Committee on State Affairs have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows:

No. 156, S.,

A bill to regulate the use of the great seal, and to establish a lesser seal.

And recommend that the same be concurred in.

No. 186, S.,

A bill in relation to the county and state canvass of votes.

With amendment, and recommend that it be concurred in when so amended.

PHINEAS BALDWIN,

Chairman.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back correctly engrossed:

No. 114, A.,

A bill relating to the public printing, amendatory of section 16, of chapter 243, of the laws of 1874.

No. 112, A.,

A bill to provide for the purchase of paper required for public printing and blank books, amendatory of section 1, of chapter 200, of the laws of 1874.

No. 300, A.,

A bill declaring certain portions of Spring street road in the town of Wauwatosa, a county highway, and providing for the improvement thereof.

No. 304, A.,

A bill relating to fire insurance companies doing business in the State of Wisconsin.

No. 147, A.,

A bill relating to, and amendatory of section 3, chapter 299, private and local laws of the year 1870, entitled "an act to define certain rights and duties of the Beef Slough Manufacturing, Booming, Log Driving and Transportation Company."

No. 340, A.,

A bill in relation to the release of dower in real estate by insane persons.

No. 261, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 278, laws of 1874, entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Shawano."

No. 65, A.,

A bill relating to the assessment of property for taxation and the levy of taxes thereon, and amendatory of section 33, of chapter 130, of the laws of 1868.

W. R. HERRON,

Chairman.

The Committee on Enrolled bills have examined and find correctly enrolled the following bill :

No. 78, S.,

A bill to confer civil jurisdiction on the county court of Fond du Lac county.

JOHN J. SENN,
Chairman.

The Committee on Legislative expenditures have had under consideration

Jt. Res. No. 34, A.,

Relating to Senate and Assembly journals and laws of 1877.

And recommend the passage of the same.

JOSEPH BOCK,
Chairman.

The Committee on Medical Societies to whom was referred No. 381, A.,

A bill relating to the legitimacy of fish artificially propagated.

Beg leave to report that they at first sight, were of the opinion this bill was clearly unconstitutional, as coming within that class of dam (med) bills to which the gentleman from Grant so strenuously objects, but after listening to the able and exhaustive argument of the chairman of the Judiciary Committee on Senate bill No. 43, and learning from him that the legislature of South Carolina once passed a law legitimatizing a large proportion of the inhabitants of that state, all doubts as to the constitutionality of this measure has vanished from the minds of your committee, and they have turned their attention to the merits of the case.

Your committee fully appreciate the delicate nature of the question proposed in this bill, but having been accustomed in the past to shirk from no duty imposed upon them, they approach this question fully determined to win from the Assembly the plaudit, "well done good and faithful servants."

Nor does the duty of a candid and prayerful consideration of this question rest alone upon your committee; but this Assembly owes it to itself and the innocent beings involved to approach this matter in the same spirit of freedom from party bias and sincere desire for truth and justice with which they (post masters included) would proceed to pass upon a contested election case, or a high joint commission would proceed to canvass disputed electoral returns.

The responsibility of ushering into being a single human soul, of exposing it to the trials and troubles of this weary

world, and forcing it, in spite of itself, and through no fault of its own, to take the tremendous chances of the world to come, must bring a thrill of awe to every thoughtful mind, and make a man pause and consider.

What then shall be said of the state, which solely for greed and as a matter of speculation turns forth these innocent creatures, (who will be counted by millions if a tithe of the results claimed in the "fishy" speech of the fish commissioner be realized) and exposes them, stamped with the indelible brand of illegitimacy, to the wicked wiles of the watery wastes.

Picture to yourself the artificially propagated lawyers of the lakes gathered to practice at their respective bars, (for there are bars in that world as well as this) and imagine the scorn with which the regular bred lawyers will regard them, think of the unction with which the terms "shyster and pettifogger" will be hurled at them, think of the snubbings they will receive from courts and the slurs which their appeals to the jury in behalf of their unfortunate clients will be met. Picture all these, gentlemen, and then say if the sight would not be sufficient to soften the flinty heart and bring tears to the stoney eyes of the gentleman from Green, unused as they are to melt or moisten at the woes of the Judiciary Committee.

And, gentlemen, when the noble army of "suckers" is gathered in that lower region, to feast on some fat job, picture to yourselves the cool and deliberate impudence with which the regular fellows will elbow aside our chaps and force them to take back seats at the feast, and perhaps go hungry while they themselves get all there is in it.

We can imagine no sharper contests of joy and grief than will be here visible, except that which will be seen about the printing offices of Milwaukee and Madison, should the legislature indefinitely postpone Senate bill No. 215.

Again, picture to yourselves, gentlemen, the fishy aristocracy of the "unsalted seas" out for a promenade on some fine afternoon; picture to yourselves these beaux and belles of fashion in all the glory of new suits of scales, sauntering along, and imagine the scorn with which they will curl their lips and flirt their tails when meeting our unfortunate wards, who, through no fault of their own, are compelled to bear about with them this great stain.

Why, gentlemen, if this bill fails to become a law, the discord which will exist, the criminations and re-criminations which will be hurled in those "crystal depths," will alone be surpassed by the state of affairs in "the Milwaukee county delegation."

Gentlemen, the Assembly has done *some* things this winter which it will be troubled to justify.

It has taken from the "poor soldier" of northern Wisconsin, who sent a postage stamp with which to mail a petition the inestimable privilege of voting taxes on the lands of the Wisconsin Central Railroad Company: it has persistently refused to carry the bill and do its duty, although the gentleman from Maine has just as persistently insisted it should do so—it has refused to pass one of the gentlemen from Eau Claire's bills under the suspension of the rules: it has passed resolutions approving of the high joint commission, and has killed hospital and orphan appropriation bills: but the chance to redeem itself and wipe out all these blots has finally come.

Here we have a case which wipes out the stain of illegitimacy from the crowns of millions, which restores the peace of families and harmonizes a large section of society and it don't cost a cent.

Shall we suffer that great and economical opportunity to pass unimproved? Shall we, in the beginning of the second century of our national existence, and the first of a president elected by a returning board, let this chance to immortalize ourselves, at nothing a line, go by, or shall we rise up like statesmen, and showing ourselves equal to the occasion, place upon our statute books the law, and thus right this great wrong.

Gentlemen of the Assembly, your committee have as much confidence in you as they have in themselves. Can they well say more?

NORTON J. FIELD,
Chairman.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By A. J. TURNER, Chief Clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:—I am directed to inform you that the Senate has passed, and asks the concurrence of the Assembly in

No. 262, S.,

A bill to provide for levying a state tax for the year 1877.

And has concurred in

Jt. Res. No. 35, A.,

Instructing our members of Congress to oppose dilatory motions calculated to defeat the action of the electoral commission.

Assembly amendments to

No. 210, S.,

A bill concerning town boards of review.

On motion of Mr. W. E. Carter, the vote by which No. 237, S., was indefinitely postponed to-day, was reconsidered, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

No. 262, S.,

Was read a first and second time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

No. 195, A.,

A bill relating to the organization of corporations for manufacturing and other purposes, and amendatory of section 12, of chapter 144, of the general laws of Wisconsin for 1872.

The Senate amendments to which were concurred in.

No. 185, S.,

A bill to submit to the people an amendment to section 2, of article 8, of the constitution of this state.

Mr. Pope moved that the Assembly recede from the Assembly amendments to the said bill, which the Senate refuse to concur in.

Carried.

SENATE BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

No. 198, S.,

A bill relating to corporations organized under the laws of this state, and amendatory of section 8, chapter 141, laws of 1872, of an act entitled "an act to authorize the organization of corporations for other than manufacturing, mercantile, insurance, banking, transportation, or trading purposes."

No. 179, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 321 of the laws of 1874, entitled "an act to amend an act entitled 'an act to incorporate the city of Grand Rapids.'"

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A bill relating to the reduction of the price of swamp and overflowed lands in Jackson county.

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A bill relating to court commissioners. their appointment, powers and duties, and amendatory of section 94, chapter 13, of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of counties and county officers," and the several acts amendatory thereof.

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A bill authorizing the state treasurer to retain certain moneys belonging to Taylor county and to pay the same over to the county of Lincoln.

Jt. Res. No. 12, S.,

Relating to light house and fog signals on Stannard Rock, Lake Superior.

Were severally read a third time and concurred in.

No. 162, S.,

A bill to appropriate to Sylvester G. H. Crocker the sum of money therein named.

Was read a third time and concurred in by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Gøtze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Walker, Wannemaker, Weeks, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassody—85.

Noes—0.

On motion of Mr. Hulburt,

The Assembly resolved itself into a

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

On the General File of bills,

Mr. Keogh in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman reported as follows:

MR. SPEAKER:—The Assembly, in Committee of the Whole, has had under consideration the General File of Bills, has gone through with the same, and has instructed me to report the following bills to the Assembly for its consideration:

No. 241, S.

A bill to authorize the city of Appleton to issue corporate bonds for bridge purposes.

No. 81, A.,

A bill relating to grading and turnpiking public highways.

No. 186, S.,

A bill in relation to the county and state canvass of votes.

No. 131, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Peter Feagan a sum of money therein named.

Each with amendments.

No. 223, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the Orphan's Association, of Milwaukee, a sum of money therein named.

No. 224, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the Home of the Friendless, at Milwaukee, a sum of money therein named.

No. 221, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the St. Rose Asylum, of Milwaukee, a sum of money therein named.

No. 222, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the St. Joseph's Orphan Asylum, of Milwaukee, a sum of money therein named.

No. 220, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the Milwaukee Industrial School a sum of money therein named.

No. 454, A.,

A bill relating to the expenses of persons doing business for the state.

No. 211, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the Northern Wisconsin Agricultural and Mechanical Association a sum of money therein named.

No. 219, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the St. Æmelianus Orphan Asylum, of Milwaukee, a sum of money therein named.

No. 119, A.,

A bill to repeal section 1, of chapter 266, of the general laws of 1876, relating to cemetery associations and town cemeteries.

No. 218, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the St. Frances Orphan Asylum for girls, of the city of La Crosse, and to the St. Michael's Asylum for boys, of the city of La Crosse, the sums of money therein named.

No. 21, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the State Hospital for the Insane, a sum of money therein named.

No. 60, S.,

A bill to legalize the organization of school district No. 2, in the town of Little Wolf, Waupaca county.

No. 261, S.,

A bill to legalize the acts of joint district No. 4, of the city and town of Manitowoc.

No. 189, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the Wisconsin Agricultural Society a sum of money therein named.

No. 174, S.,

A bill relating to the fees of sheriffs and referees.

No. 206, A.,

A bill relating to attorneys, and amendatory of chapter 189, of

the laws of Wisconsin for 1867, entitled "an act relating to the admission of attorneys of courts of record.

No. 69, A.,

A bill to provide for an examination before a jury, and amendatory of section 2, of chapter 37, Revised Statutes, entitled "of the support of bastards."

No. 381, A.,

A bill relating to the legitimacy of fish artificially propagated.

No. 156, S.,

A bill to regulate the use of the grand seal, and to establish a lesser seal.

No. 456, A.,

A bill to authorize the collection of lumber statistics.

No. 103, A.,

A bill providing for the improvement of the condition of the vagrant, dependant and vicious children of the state.

No. 163, A.,

A bill to appropriate the sum of \$115,000 to the Northern Hospital for the Insane, for the purpose therein set forth.

Each without amendment.

Mr. Pope moved to reconsider the vote by which No. 429, A. was indefinitely postponed.

Lost.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE CONSIDERED.

No. 220, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the Milwaukee Industrial School a sum of money therein named.

Was indefinitely postponed by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Cash, B. F. Carter, Crockett, Dale, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Fink, H. J. Fisk, Gray, Greening, Herron, Hulburt, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Linderman, Luchsinger, Merrill, Mitchell, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Shufelt, Spence, Sylvester, Walker, Wannemaker, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—54.

Noes—Messrs. Arnold, Carmichael, Dailey, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Grover, Götze, Hamilton, Hammel, Hubbard, Hull, Hyde, Kelly, Keogh, Knowlton, Lindsay, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Neuhauser, Scheuber, Stapleton, Tisch, Thornton, Vance, Vincent, Wedig, Weeks—32.

No. 223, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the Orphan's Association, of Milwaukee, a sum of money therein named.

Was indefinitely postponed by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L.

Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dale, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, Fink, H. J. Fisk, Gray, Greening, Herron, Hulburt, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Linderman, Luchsinger, Merrill, Mitchell, Newnan, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Shufelt, Spence, Sylvester, Walker, Weeks, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—55.

Noes—Messrs. Arnold, Carmichael, Dailey, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Hubbard, Hull, Hyde, Kelly, Keogh, Knowlton, Lindsay, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Neuhauser, Scheuber, Stapleton, Tisch, Thornton, Vance, Vincent, Wannemaker, Wedig—32.

No. 219, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the St. Aemelianus Orphan Asylum, of Milwaukee, a sum of money therein named.

No. 221, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the St. Rose Asylum, of Milwaukee, a sum of money therein named.

No. 222, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the St. Joseph's Orphan Asylum, of Milwaukee, a sum of money therein named.

No. 218, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the St. Frances Orphan Asylum for girls, of the city of La Crosse, and to the St. Michael's Asylum for boys, of the city of La Crosse, the sums of money therein named.

No. 225, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the St. Nazian's Society, of the county of Manitowoc, a sum of money therein named.

Were each indefinitely postponed by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dale, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, Fink, H. J. Fisk, Gray, Greening, Herron, Hubbard, Hulburt, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Linderman, Luchsinger, Merrill, Mitchell, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Shufelt, Spence, Sylvester, Walker, Weeks, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—57.

Noes—Messrs. Arnold, Carmichael, Dailey, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Hull, Hyde, Kelly, Keogh, Knowlton, Lindsay, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Scheuber, Stapleton, Tisch, Thornton, Vance, Vincent, Wannemaker, Wedig—30.

No. 224, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the Home of the Friendless, of Milwaukee, a sum of money therein named.

Mr. W. E. Carter moved to indefinitely postpone the bill which was lost by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Black, Bock, Brooks, Brost, W. E. Carter, Dale, Dixon, Doxtader, Dousman, Fink, H. J. Fisk,

Gray, Greening, Hulburt, Johnson, Knapp, Leavens, Linderman, Luchsinger, Merrill, Mitchell, Newman, Pierce, Pope, Ries, Senn, Seymour, Spence, Wyatt, Ziemann, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—33.

Noes—Messrs. Arnold, Blakeslee, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dailey, Deland, Dorwin, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hyde, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knowlton, Lindsay, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Neuhauser, Owen, Phillips, Rice, Sarnow, Scheuber, Shufelt, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Truell, Vance, Vincent, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks—52.

And bill ordered read a third time.

No. 199, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the Cadle Home of Green Bay, five hundred dollars.

W. E. Carter moved to indefinitely postpone the bill, which prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnot, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Bock, Brooks, Brost, W. E. Carter, Dale, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Fink, H. J. Fisk, Gray, Greening, Herron, Hulburt, Johnston, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Linderman, Luchsinger, Marx, Merrill, Mitchell, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Pope, Ries, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Spence, Sylvester, Truell, Walker, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassody—46.

Noes—Messrs. Arnold, Phineas Baldwin, Blakeslee, Burnett, Cash, Carmichael, Crockett, Dailey, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Hubbard, Hull, Hyde, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Knowlton, Lindsay, McCarty, Neuhauser, Phillips, Rice, Scheuber, Shufelt, Tisch, Vance, Vincent, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks—38.

Mr. W. E. Carter moved to reconsider the vote just had, by which No. 199, S., was indefinitely postponed and lay the motion on the table.

Pending which, Mr. Hubbard moved to adjourn.

Which motion prevailed, and the Assembly stood adjourned till 10 a. m., to-morrow.

SATURDAY, MARCH 3, 1877.

Assembly met,

The Speaker in the chair.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Huntley.

The roll was called, and the following members present:

Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Leavens, Linderman, Luchsinger, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Truell, Vance, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—84.

Absent on Leave—Messrs. Bailey, Dale, Innis, Maxwell, Mohr, Roche, Shepard, Thornton, Touhey, Van Waters, Wall—11.

Absent—Messrs. Hubbard, Lindsay, Ringle, Vincent, Wright—5.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs. Stapleton and Vincent, indefinitely.

To Messrs. Truell, Wright, Knapp, Leavens, Ringle, Hubbard and Hull, till Monday evening.

To Mr. Lindsay till Tuesday morning.

To Messrs. B. F. Carter and Senn (after morning session), till Monday evening.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATION.

STATE OF WISCONSIN, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

MADISON, March 3, 1877.

To the Honorable, the Assembly:

I return herewith, without signature, to the house in which it originated,

No. 101, A.,

Entitled "an act to authorize D. W. Tupper and George E. Tupper, and their associates, to improve Tupper's creek for log driving purposes."

Section one of this bill goes beyond the expressed object of the bill, and authorizes the persons named and their associates, successors, heirs and assigns, to improve a stream in township thirty-seven, range five west, in the county of Chippewa. I believe the use of the word "successors," makes of the bill such an act of incorporation as to bring it within the constitutional prohibitions against granting corporate powers and privileges by special or private law, and I therefor return it to the Assembly without approval.

HARRISON LUDINGTON,
Governor.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

No. 230, A.,

A bill entitled "an act to increase the amount of the official bond of the clerk of the circuit court for Milwaukee county,"

Having been returned to the Assembly without the approval of the governor, the question being shall the bill pass notwithstanding the objection of the governor, the roll was called, and the objection of the governor sustained by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Keogh, Stapleton—2.

Noes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Hamilton, Hammel, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Neuhauser, Newman, Pope, Ries, Rice, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shufelt, Spence, Sylvester, Tisch, Vance, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—70.

No. 274, A.,

A bill to authorize the county board of supervisors of Milwaukee county, to levy a special tax for the payment of county bonds which become due in 1880.

Having been returned to the Assembly without the approval of the governor, the question being shall the bill pass notwithstanding the objection of the governor, the roll was called and the objection of the governor sustained and bill lost by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Keogh, Ries, Senn, Stapleton—4.

Noes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Bur-

nett, Cash, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Hamilton, Hammel, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Neuhauser, Newman, Pierce, Pope, Sarnow, Seymour, Scheuber, Shufelt, Spence, Sylvester, Tisch, Vance, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—65.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Judiciary have under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows:

No. 341, A.,

A bill relating to the revision of the statutes, and amendatory of chapter 203 of the laws of 1875.

With amendments, and recommend its passage when so amended.

No. 377, A.,

A bill authorizing the making and filing of proof of tax sales in Fond du Lac county.

With the recommendation that the said bill do pass.

No. 197, S.,

A bill relating to the Sturgeon Bay and Lake Michigan Ship Canal, and to amend chapter 365, of the private and local laws of 1864, entitled "an act to incorporate the Sturgeon Bay and Lake Michigan Ship Canal and Harbor Company," approved April 2, 1864.

Without amendment and recommend that the same be concurred in.

CARL C. POPE,
Chairman.

The Joint Committee on Printing have had under consideration

No. 245, A.,

A bill to provide for settling the award in favor of S. D. Carpenter, made under the provisions of chapter 323, general laws of 1874, and submitted to the legislature of 1875 by the secretary of state, state treasurer and attorney general, as printing commissioners.

And respectfully report that said bill proposes to appropriate to S. D. Carpenter, as the assignee of James Ross of a contract for printing and material to be done for and furnished to the state, under a contract entered into between the state and said Ross in 1858, such sum as in the judgment of the legislature is justly due to Carpenter under such contract.

The history of the claim put forth under the contract is a remarkable one, and too long to be set forth in this report.

To briefly summarize the facts, as they appear from the records: The work done under this contract extended over a period of time from the 30th of November, 1858, to the 31st of December, 1859, or about thirteen months. That for the work so done, exclusive of newspaper advertising, the contractor has been paid \$81,841.91.

It also further appears that on the first day of May, 1860, Mr. Carpenter executed, under seal, a formal release of all claims against the state under the contract. Notwithstanding such release, however, in 1863, he presented his claim under the contract to the legislature, and on the 2d day of April, 1863, was allowed the further sum of \$5,000, which was to be "in full of all claims of every kind, name or nature, actual or imaginary, legal, equitable or otherwise, which said Carpenter and Hyer, or which any or all of the individual members of said firm have or claim to have against the state prior to the passage of this bill," and Mr. Carpenter executed a release accordingly.

What sum ought equitably to have been, or to be paid to Mr. Carpenter, if anything in excess of what he has received, your committee, owing to the limited time allowed for their investigation of the matter, have not attempted to ascertain. Such sum, if anything is due from the state to Mr. Carpenter, can only be ascertained by a thorough investigation of the whole subject, requiring weeks of patient, diligent labor.

We therefore return the bill without recommendation.

S. W. PIERCE,
Assembly.
SAM. S. FIFIELD,
Senate.

The Committee on Lumber and Manufactures have had under consideration the following bill, and report the same back as follows:

No. 94, S.,

A bill relating to and amendatory of chapter 12, of the local laws of 1873, entitled "an act to provide for the improvement of Yellow river for log driving purposes."

And recommend that it be concurred in.

E. BURNETT,
Chairman.

The Committee on Ways and Means have had under consideration the following bill and report the same back as follows:

No. 262, S.,

A bill to provide for levying a state tax for the year 1877.

Without amendment, and recommend the concurrence of the Assembly in the same.

D. M. KELLY,
Chairman.

Committee on State Lands have had under consideration
No. 148, S.,

A bill to repeal chapter 313, of the private and local laws of 1869, entitled "an act to authorize the use of money arising from the sale of certain swamp and overflowed lands in the county of Portage, for drainage purposes," and to amend chapter 537, of the laws of 1865, relating thereto, and also to repeal chapter 105, of the private and local laws of 1875, entitled "an act to amend chapter 313, of the private and local laws of 1869."

And report it back without recommendation and ask that it be referred to the Judiciary Committee.

J. L. LINDERMAN,
Chairman.

The Committee on State Affairs have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows :

No. 101, S.,

A bill to supply the state capitol with water, and protect it from fire.

And recommend that it be concurred in.

PHINEAS BALDWIN,
Chairman.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows :

No. 391, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 313 of the private and local laws of 1869, entitled "an act to authorize the use of the money arising from the sale of certain swamp and overflowed lands in the county of Portage for drainage purposes, and to amend chapter 537, of the laws of 1865, relating thereto, and all acts amendatory thereof."

W. R. HERRON,
Chairman.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

The Special Committee, to whom was referred

No. 183, A.,

A bill relating to highways.

Report the same back with amendment, and recommend the passage of the same when so amended.

SAMUEL BLACK,
Committee.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By A. J. TURNER, Chief Clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform you that the Senate has concurred in

No. 14, A.,

A bill to amend section 2, of chapter 344, of the general laws of 1876, entitled "an act to codify and consolidate all laws in relation to town insurance companies."

No. 73, A.,

A bill relating to the preservation of game, and amendatory of section 1, of chapter 121, of the laws of 1874.

No. 96, A.,

A bill relating to the appointment of fire wardens in certain cases, and amendatory of chapter 27 of the general laws of this state for the year 1874.

No. 139, A.,

A bill to prevent certain officers and teachers from acting as agents of school books.

No. 158, A.,

A bill for the preservation of fish in the waters of Rock river and Hustisford mill pond, Dodge county.

No. 160, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 195, of the laws of 1874, entitled "an act to amend sections 1 and 3, of chapter 275, of the private and local laws of 1869, entitled 'an act for the preservation of fish in Big Green and Little Green Lakes.'"

No. 172, A.,

A bill to extend the benefits of the public schools, and promote the fitness of many foreigners for citizenship.

No. 249, A.,

A bill relating to the board of equalization of the city of Manitowoc, and amendatory of section 4, chapter 275, private and local laws of 1870, entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Manitowoc."

No. 262, A.,

A bill to authorize the city of Racine to levy a special tax.

No. 319, A.,

A bill to authorize the commissioners of school and university lands to loan a portion of the trust funds of the state to the city of Neenah.

No. 321, A.,

A bill to change the time for holding the general terms of the circuit court in Walworth county.

No. 328, A.,

A bill to amend section 100, of chapter 18, of the Revised Statutes, concerning the collection of delinquent personal property tax.

No. 359, A.,

A bill relating to the right of way of railroads, and amendatory of section 16, chapter 119, of the general laws of 1872.

No. 422, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 47, of the general laws of 1871, entitled "an act to amend chapter 107, of the private and local laws of 1867, entitled 'an act to authorize the appointment of phonographic reporters in the circuit court of the counties of Milwaukee and Kenosha.'"

No. 431, A.,

A bill to legalize certain acts of the board of supervisors of Manitowoc county, Wisconsin.

No. 440, A.,

A bill relating to the bringing of actions for penalties, and appeals therein.

No. 444, A.,

A bill relating to the preservation of fish in Sugar river.

No. 384, A.,

A bill to amend section 2, of chapter 329, of the laws of 1874, entitled "an act for the preservation of game in the State of Wisconsin."

No. 457, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 67, of the laws of 1877, entitled "an act to amend section 2, of chapter 222, general laws of 1874, entitled 'an act to amend and revise the charter of the city of Wausau.'"

And has amended and concurred in as amended and asks the concurrence of the Assembly in amendments

No. 18, A.,

A bill to amend the city charter of the city of Fond du Lac, and to repeal sections 12 and 15 of chapter 5 of chapter 59 of the private and local laws of 1868, of chapter 474 of the private and local laws of the year 1871, and all acts amendatory thereof.

No. 37, A.,

A bill relating to village cemeteries.

No. 416, A.,

A bill to authorize Chippewa county, in this state, to issue bonds for a certain purpose.

No. 443, A.,

A bill to amend section 3 of chapter 121 of the laws of 1868, as amended by chapter 54, laws of 1871.

No. 231, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 364 of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act in relation to sheriff's fees."

No. 136, A.,

A bill relating to the invention and successful use of steam and other mechanical agents on highways, and amendatory of chapter 134 of the laws of 1875, as amended by chapter 182 of the laws of 1876.

And has refused to concur in

No. 68, A.,

A bill relating to notaries public.

No. 89, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 404, of the laws of 1876, relating to counties and county officers.

No. 119, A.,

A bill to repeal section 1, of chapter 266, of the general laws of 1876, relating to cemetery associations and town cemeteries.

No. 162, A.,

A bill relating to the exemption of a certain portion of the

earnings of married men and others, and amendatory of chapter 148, of the general laws of 1858.

No. 211, A.,

A bill to amend section 38, of chapter 132, of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of issues, mode of trial and judgment in civil actions."

No. 314, A.,

A bill to authorize Philetus Sawyer, Jesse Spaulding and Isaac Stephenson and their associates, successors, heirs or assigns to improve that portion of the Menomonee river, being in the State of Wisconsin and above Grand Portage rapids, for log driving purposes.

No. 402, A.,

A bill to amend section one (1), of chapter 77, laws of 1876, entitled "an act relating to the second county court of Brown county, and amendatory of sections four (4) and five (5) of chapter nine (9,) of laws of 1875."

No. 414, A.,

A bill relating to railroads, and amendatory of section 7, chapter 57, of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1876.

No. 418, A.,

A bill relating to the foreclosure of mortgages.

Jt. Res. No. 29, A.,

For amending the constitution, and relating to suffrage.

No. 271, A.,

A bill for the preservation of fish in Waukesha county.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

No. 18, A.,

A bill to amend the city charter of the city of Fond du Lac, and to repeal sections 12 and 15, of chapter 5, of chapter 59, of the private and local laws of 1868, of chapter 474, of the private and local laws of the year 1871, and all acts amendatory thereof.

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A bill to amend chapter 364. of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act in relation to sheriff's fees."

The Senate amendments to each were concurred in.

No. 136, A.,

A bill relating to the invention and successful use of steam and other mechanical agents on highways, and amendatory of chapter

134 of the laws of 1875, as amended by chapter 182 of the laws of 1876.

Mr. Kelly offered the following amendment to the Senate amendment:

Amend by adding to section 7 the words: "*provided further*, that the commissioners appointed under the provisions of this act shall not receive any compensation for their services, but their actual expenses incurred while in the performance of their duties under this act, shall be paid by the state."

Adopted, and amendment as amended concurred in.

SENATE BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

No. 224, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the Home of the Friendless, of Milwaukee, a sum of money therein named.

Mr. Brost was excused from voting upon No. 224, S., having paired off with Mr. Arnold, who was absent.

Mr. Johnson was excused from voting upon No. 224, S., having paired off with Mr. Lindsay who was absent.

And bill read a third time, and concurred in by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Blakeslee, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dailey, Deland, Dorwin, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Hull, Hyde, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knowlton, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Neuhauser, Rice, Sarnow, Scheuber, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Vance, Walker, Wannemaker, Weeks, Wedig—46.

Noes—Anderson, Abell, Black, Bock, Brooks, W. E. Carter, Dixon, Doxtader, Dousman, Fink, H. J. Fisk, Gray, Hulburt, Knapp, Luchsinger, Merrill, Newman, Pierce, Pope, Ries, Seymour, Spence, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—25.

ASSEMBLY BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

No. 114, A.

A bill relating to public printing, and amendatory of section 16, of chapter 243, of the laws of 1874.

No. 112, A.,

A bill to provide for the purchase of paper required for public printing and blank books, amendatory of section 1 of chapter 200 of the laws of 1874.

No. 304, A.,

A bill relating to fire insurance companies doing business in the State of Wisconsin.

No. 340, A.,

A bill in relation to the release of dower in real estate by insane persons.

No. 261, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 278, laws of 1874, entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Shawano."

No. 65, A.,

A bill relating to the assessment of property for taxation and the levy of taxes thereon, and amendatory of section 33, of chapter 130, of the laws of 1868.

No. 391, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 313 of the private and local laws of 1869, relating to certain overflowed and swamp lands in the county of Portage.

Were each read a third time and passed.

No. 300, A.,

A bill declaring certain portions of Spring street road in the town of Wauwatosa, a county highway, and providing for the improvement thereof.

Mr. Hull was excused from voting upon the passage of No. 300, A., being personally pecuniarily interested therein.

Bill read a third time and passed.

No 341, A.,

A bill relating to the revision of the statutes, and amendatory of chapter 203, of the laws of 1875.

On motion of Mr. W. E. Carter the rules were suspended, amendments adopted, bill read a third time and passed by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnot, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Bock, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dailey, Deland, Dorwin, Doxtader, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Hyde, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Neuhauser, Newman, Pierce, Pope, Ries, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shufelt, Spence, Tisch, Vance, Wanemmaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—60.

Noes—Messrs. Phineas Baldwin, Sylvester—2.

No. 147, A.,

A bill relating to and amendatory of section 3, of chapter 299, of the private and local laws of the year 1870, entitled "an act to define certain rights and duties of the Beef Slough Manufacturing, Booming, Log Driving and Transportation Company."

Was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Newman moved that when the Assembly adjourn, it do adjourn until Monday, March 5, at 7:30 p. m.

Carried.

On motion of Mr. Dousman, the vote by which No. 183, A., was indefinitely postponed yesterday, was reconsidered, and recommitted to a Select Committee of One (for perfection): Mr. Black.

On motion of Mr. Pope, No. 30, S., was taken from the table, by unanimous consent, and recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary.

By unanimous consent of the Assembly, Mr. W. J. Fisk was allowed to withdraw from the Assembly Jt. Res. No. 34, A.

On motion of Mr. Cash, No. 241, A., was withdrawn from the report of the Committee of the Whole and recommitted to the Committee on Claims.

No. 148, S., was taken from File and recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Earnest,

No. 381, A.,

A bill relating to the legitimacy of fish artificially propagated.

Was taken from the File of "Report of Committee of the Whole," Rules suspended, read a third time.

Mr. Ries moved to lay the bill on the table, which was lost by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Blakeslee, Brooks, Brost, Deland, Dixon, Doxtader, Fink, Gray, Greening, Hull, Hulburt, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Linderman, Merrill, Newman, Ries, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Shufelt, Spence, Sylvester, Wannemaker, Wedig, Wyatt, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—32.

Noes—Messrs. Arnot, Bock, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dailey, Dorwin, Dousman, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Johnson, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Luchsinger, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Neuhauser, Pierce, Pope, Rice, Scheuber, Stapleton, Tisch, Vance, Walker, Weeks, Zeiman—42.

Mr. Fink moved to postpone the further consideration of the bill for one week.

Lost.

The question being, shall the bill pass, the roll was called, and the Assembly refused to pass the bill by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Blakeslee, Cash, Carmichael, Crockett, Dailey, Earnest, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Hamilton, Marx, Neuhauser, Rice, Scheuber, Stapleton, Tisch, Zeiman—17.

Noes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Gray, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hammel, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelley, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Linderman, Luchsinger, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Newman, Pope, Ries, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Shufelt, Spence, Sylvester, Vance, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wyatt, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—59.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE CONSIDERED.

No. 21, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the State Hospital for the Insane, a sum of money therein named.

No. 261, S.,

A bill to legalize the acts of joint district No. 4, of the city and town of Manitowoc.

No. 174, S.,

A bill relating to the fees of sheriffs and referees.

No. 60, S.,

A bill to legalize the organization of school district No. 2, in the town of Little Wolf, Waupaca county.

No. 156, S.,

A bill to regulate the use of the great seal, and to establish a lesser seal.

Were severally read a third time and concurred in.

On motion of Mr. W. E. Carter,
The Assembly adjourned.

MONDAY, MARCH 5, 1877.

7:30 P. M.

Assembly met,

The Speaker in the chair.

The roll was called, and the following members present:

Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Linderman, Luchsinger, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—88.

Absent on Leave—Messrs. Bailey, Lindsay, Maxwell, Knowlton,

Absent—Messrs. Blakeslee, Dale, Hammel, Keogh, Vincent—4.
Ringle, Shufelt, Spence—8.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs. H. J. Fisk and Mr. Hammel, indefinitely.

To Messrs. Blakeslee, Keogh, Dale, and Spence, till Tuesday morning.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

No. 101, A.,

Entitled "an act to authorize D. W. Tupper and George E. Tupper and their associates, to improve Tupper's Creek for log driving purposes.

Having been returned to the Assembly without the approval of the governor, the question being shall the bill pass notwithstanding the objection of the governor, the roll was called and the ob-

jection of the governor sustained, and bill lost by the following vote:

Noes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Linderman, Luchsinger, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauer, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard Shufelt, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker, Cassoday—87.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Roads and Bridges have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows:

No. 208, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 152, general laws of 1872, entitled "an act to authorize the county board of supervisors in the several counties of this state, to levy a special tax for county road purposes," and to amend chapter 229, laws of 1874.

And recommend concurrence.

S. J. SEYMOUR,
Chairman.

The Committee on Incorporations to whom was referred the following bills, respectfully report the same back as follows:

No. 325, A.,

A bill to amend an act entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Stevens Point."

The committee recommend that it be indefinitely postponed.

No. 145, A.,

A bill relating to town insurance companies.

The committee recommend that it be indefinitely postponed.

No. 330, A.,

A bill relating to town insurance companies.

The committee recommend that it be indefinitely postponed.

No. 138, S.,

A bill relating to town insurance companies.

The committee recommend that it be indefinitely postponed.

No. 239, A.,

A bill relating to town insurance companies.

The committee recommend that it be indefinitely postponed.

A. D. DELAND,
Chairman.

The Committee on Public Improvements have had under consideration

No. 61, S.,

A bill authorizing Chauncey Lamb and others to improve the Flambeau river.

And recommend that it be indefinitely postponed.

SAMUEL BLACK,

Chairman.

The Joint Committee on Claims has had under consideration

No. 241, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Yates V. Beebee a sum of money.

And report the same back with amendment, and recommend passage when so amended.

No. 317, A.,

A bill to repeal section 6, of chapter 81, of Revised Statutes.

And report same back by substitute, and recommend passage of substitute.

No. 237, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money therein named.

And report same back with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

No. 166, A.,

A bill for the better organization of the state militia.

And report same back by substitute, and recommend passage of substitute.

JOHN LUCHSINGER,

Chairman.

The Committee on Enrolled Bills have examined and find correctly enrolled the following bills :

No. 155, A.,

A bill relating to evidence.

No. 75, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 27, of the general laws of 1875, entitled "an act to amend chapter 423, private and local laws of 1871, entitled 'an act to authorize the county clerk of Door county to make and keep an abstract of tax sales, deeds and redemptions in said county and to revive said chapter 423.'"

No. 63, A.,

A bill relating to attorneys' fees in justice court, and amendatory of section 1 of chapter 96, of the laws of 1876.

No. 417, A.,

A bill relating to the Supreme Court, and amendatory of chapter 284 of the laws of 1876.

No. 413, A.,

A bill relating to the catching of fish in Pecatonica river and its tributaries, in Lafayette county.

No. 388, A.,

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the town of Marietta, in Crawford county.

No. 379, A.,

A bill to amend an act to incorporate the State Firemen's Association of Wisconsin.

No. 269, A.,

A bill to amend section 32, of chapter 130, of the general laws of 1868, entitled "an act to provide for the assessment of property for taxation and the levy of taxes thereon."

No. 259, A.,

A bill relating to town insurance companies, to legalize the action of the Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company of the towns of Troy and East Troy, of the county of Walworth.

No. 255, A.,

A bill relating to actions and proceedings by non-resident guardians, and amendatory of section 1, of chapter 73, general laws of 1871.

No. 250, A.,

A bill relating to drainage in the city of Manitowoc, and amendatory of section 7, of chapter 228, of the laws of Wisconsin for 1875.

No. 226, A.,

A bill in relation to the settlement of estates when the county judge is incapacitated, and to amend section 16, of chapter 117, of the Revised Statutes.

No. 195, A.,

A bill relating to the organization of corporations for manufacturing and other purposes, and amendatory of section 12, of chapter 144, of the general laws of 1872.

No. 180, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money to the governor for the benefit of the state library, and to repeal chapter 321 general laws of 1864, and sections one and eight of chapter 26, of Revised Statutes.

No. 285, A.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 299 of the laws of 1873, entitled "an act to amend chapter 56, general laws of 1870, entitled 'an act to provide for the incorporation and government of fire and inland navigation and insurance companies.'"

No. 169, A.,

A bill in relation to exchange of laws, documents, and Supreme Court reports of this state.

No. 1, A.,

A bill to authorize the town of Mukwa, in the county of Waupaca, to issue its corporate bonds in payment of the judgment against the said town in favor of Geo. T. Hammond and Sophia C. Hammond.

No. 333, A.,

A bill to authorize the county board of supervisors of the county of Clark to levy and collect a tax for the purpose of building roads in Clark county, Wisconsin.

M. C., No. 9, A.,
Memorial to Congress to provide fish-ways to the dams on Fox River.

M. C., No. 8, A.,
Memorial to Congress for the establishment of a mail route from Friendship, in the County of Adams, to Liberty Bluff, in the County of Marquette.

M. C., No. 11, A.,
Memorial to Congress for mail service from Eau Claire to Rice Lake, in Barron County.

Jt. Res., No. 15, A.,
Joint Resolution asking Congress to make an appropriation to construct a lighthouse at the mouth of the harbor of Menominee.

No. 11, A.,
A bill to legalize the tax-roll of the town of Kinnickinnic, in St. Croix County.

No. 253, A.,
A bill relating to costs and fees and amendatory of sections 1 and 4, chapter 133, Revised Statutes, and the several acts amendatory thereof.

No. 14, A.,
A bill to amend section 2, of chapter 344, of the general laws of 1876, entitled "an act to codify and consolidate all laws in relation to town insurance companies."

No. 37, A.,
A bill relating to villiage cemeteries.

No. 121, A.,
A bill relating to the distraining of cattle doing damage, and amendatory of section 1, of chapter 51, of the Revised Statutes.

No. 139, A.,
A bill to prevent certain officers and teachers from acting as agents in the sale of school books.

No. 150, A.,
A bill to legalize the acts of the board of supervisors of the town of Star Prairie, in the county of St. Croix, Wisconsin, in building a bridge across Willow river, in section number 36 of said town.

No. 231, A.,
A bill to amend chapter 364 of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act in relation to sheriff's fees."

No. 249, A.,
A bill relating to the board of equalization of the city of Manitowoc, and amendatory of section 4, chapter 275, private and local laws of 1870, entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Manitowoc."

No. 321, A.,
A bill to change the time for holding the general terms of the circuit court in Walworth county.

No. 384, A.,
A bill relating to the preservation of game in the State of Wisconsin, and amendatory of chapter 329, of the laws of 1874.

No. 416, A.,

A bill to authorize Chippewa county, in this state, to issue bonds for a certain purpose.

No. 443, A.,

A bill relating to the salary of county judges and amendatory of section 3, of chapter 121, of the general laws of 1868, as amended by chapter 54, of the general laws of 1871.

No. 444, A.,

A bill relating to the preservation of fish in Sugar river.

No. 457, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 67, of the laws of 1877, entitled "an act to amend section 2, of chapter 222, general laws of 1874, entitled 'an act to amend and revise the charter of the city of Wausau.'"

No. 48, A.,

A bill in relation to fees of county judges, and to repeal chapter 123, of the laws of 1871, and amendatory of section 2, of chapter 121, of the laws of 1868.

No. 123, A.,

A bill to incorporate the city of New London.

No. 446, A.,

A bill to incorporate the city of Plymouth.

JOHN J. SENN,

Chairman.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

BY A. J. TURNER, Chief Clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform you that the Senate has concurred in

No. 452, A.,

A bill to revise, consolidate and amend the charter of the city of Stevens Point, approved May 17, 1858, and the several acts amendatory thereof.

And that the Senate returns, as requested,

No. 237, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 130, general laws of 1868, entitled "an act to provide for the assessment of property for taxation, and the levy of taxes thereon."

And has passed and asks the concurrence of the Assembly in

No. 95, S.,

A bill in relation to the proceedings and duties of certain commissioners.

No. 245, S.,

A bill authorizing and directing the secretary of state to order the binding of the reports of the railroad commissioner.

No. 215, S.,

A bill to cheapen the cost of supporting the common schools of the state.

All has concurred in the Assembly amendments to

No. 2, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the state prison a sum of money therein named, for current expenses and general repairs.

No. 23, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 139, of the laws of 1875, entitled "an act to amend section 3 of chapter 78, of the general laws of 1867, entitled 'an act for the protection of game.'"

And has refused to concur in the Assembly amendments to

No. 187, S.,

A bill to amend section 5, of chapter 14, of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of resignations, vacancies and removals, and of supplying vacancies."

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Read first and second times and referred.

No. 215, S.,

Was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Pope moved that the Assembly recede from the Assembly amendments to 187, S., which the Senate refused to concur in.

Carried.

Nos. 245 and 95, S.,

Were each read a third time, and referred to General File.

By. Mr. W. E. Carter:

Res. No. 51, A.,

Resolved, That the Senate is hereby requested to return to the Assembly

No. 237, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 130, of the general laws of 1868, entitled "an act to provide for the assessment of property for taxation, and the levy of taxes thereon."

Adopted.

SENATE BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

No. 21, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the State Hospital for the Insane, a sum of money therein named.

Was read a third time and concurred in by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Phincas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnson,

Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Linderman, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wyatt, Zeiman. Mr. Speaker Cassoday—86.

Noes—0.

No. 261, S.,

A bill to legalize the acts of joint district No. 4, of the city and town of Manitowoc.

No. 174, S.,

A bill relating to the fees of sheriffs and referees.

No. 60, S.,

A bill to legalize the organization of school district No. 2, in the town of Little Wolf, in Waupaca county.

No. 156, S.,

A bill to regulate the use of the great seal, and to establish a lesser seal.

Were each read a third time and concurred in.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE CONSIDERED.

No. 186, S.,

A bill in relation to the county and state canvass of votes.

Amendments adopted, and bill ordered read a third time.

No. 211, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the Northern Wisconsin Agricultural and Mechanical Association a sum of money therein named.

The Assembly refuse to order the bill to a third reading.

No. 189, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the Wisconsin State Agricultural Society a sum of money therein named.

Mr. W. J. Fisk offered the following amendment:

Amend section 1 by adding thereto "provided that no greater sum than \$1,000 per annum shall be paid to the secretary of said society."

Adopted.

And the Assembly refuse to order the bill to a third reading, by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Brooks, Carmichael, Crockett, Dailey, Deland, Dorwin, Duxtader, Earnest, Grover, Herron, Hubbard, Innis, Johnson, Kelly, Linderman, Luchsinger, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Scheuber, Shepard, Sylvester, Thornton, Wannemaker, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—34.

Noes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnot, Black, Bock, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Dixon, Dousman, Fink, W.

J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Goetze, Hamilton, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnston, Kast, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Ries, Rice, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Shufelt, Stapleton, Tisch, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt—53.

No. 348, A.,

A bill to provide for the organization of road districts.

Substitute adopted and bill ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 81, A.,

A bill relating to grading and turnpiking public highways.

Substitute adopted and bill ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 131, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Peter Feagan a sum of money therein named.

Amendments adopted and bill ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 206, A.,

A bill relating to attorneys, and amendatory of chapter 189, of the laws of Wisconsin for 1867, entitled "an act relating to the admission of attorneys of courts of record."

The question being on the adoption of the amendments.

The roll was called, and amendments adopted by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, Black, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Fink, W. J. Fisk, Field, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Hamilton, Herron, Hubbard, Hulburt, Hyde, Kast, Kelly, Knapp, Linderman, Luchsinger, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Roche, Seymour, Shepard, Shufelt, Stapleton, Sylvester, Truell, Vance, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Wyatt, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—60.

Noes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, Crockett, Earnest, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Goetze, Hull, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kinzie, Leavens, Marx, Mohr, Nelson, Sarnow, Senn, Scheuber, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Weeks, Wright, Zeiman—28.

Mr. Johnson moved to indefinitely postpone the bill, which was lost by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Bock, Brost, B. F. Carter, Crockett, Dousman, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Goetze, Hull, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kinzie, Leavens, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Mohr, Nelson, Sarnow, Senn, Scheuber, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Weeks, Wright, Zeiman—32.

Noes—Messrs. Arnold, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Brooks, Burnett, Cash, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, Field, Gray, Greening, Grover, Hamilton, Herron, Hubbard, Hulburt, Hyde, Kelly, Knapp, Linderman, Luchsinger, Merrill, Mitch-

ell, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Roche, Seymour, Shepard, Shufelt, Stapleton, Sylvester, Truell, Vance, Van Watters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Wyatt, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—56.

Bill ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 183, A.,

A bill relating to highways.

Mr. Baldwin offered the following amendment to the amendment:

Strike out "\$25," and insert \$100.

On motion of Mr. Hubbard, the amendments and bill were tabled by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Arnold, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Brost, Burnett, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dailey, Dorwin, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Götze, Hubbard, Hull, Innis, Johnson, Kinzie, Linderman, Luchsinger, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Owen, Pope, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Scheuber, Stapleton, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Vance, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wedig, Weeks, Zieman—50.

Noes—Messrs. Abell, Black, Bock, Brooks, Cash, B. F. Carter, Deland, Dousman, Fink, Gray, Greening, Grover, Hamilton, Herron, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Knapp, Leavens, Newman, Pierce, Phillips, Ries, Rice, Seymour, Shepard, Shufelt, Sylvester, Truell, Wannemaker, Wright, Wyatt, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—35.

No. 454, A.,

A bill relating to the expenses of persons doing business for the state.

Amendments adopted, and bill ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 241, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Yates V. Beebe a sum of money.

Amendments adopted, and bill ordered engrossed and read a third time by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Arnold, Black, Cash, Carmichael, Crockett, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Duxtader, Earnest, Fink, Flinn, Grover, Götze, Hamilton, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Leavens, Luchsinger, McCollum, Merrill, Neuhauser, Newman, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Roche, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Stapleton, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Wedig, Weeks, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—47.

Noes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, W. E. Carter, Dorwin, Dousman, W. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Gray, Greening, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Knapp, Linderman, Marx, McCarty, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Owen, Pierce, Sarnow, Senn, Van Waters, Wannemaker, Wright, Wyatt—37.

No. 163, A.,

A bill to appropriate the sum of one hundred and fifteen thousand dollars to the Northern Hospital for the Insane, for the purpose therein set forth.

No. 69, A.,

A bill to provide for an examination before a jury, and amendatory of section 2, of chapter 37, Revised Statutes, entitled "of the support of bastards."

Were each indefinitely postponed.

No. 456, A.,

A bill to authorize the collection of the lumber statistics.

Was laid aside till to-morrow.

No. 103, A.,

A bill providing for the improvement of the condition of the vagrant, dependent, and vicious children of the state.

Amendments adopted.

Mr. Hamilton offered the following amendment:

Amend by striking out section seven, and re-numbering the balance of sections.

Adopted.

Mr. Sylvester moved to lay the amendments and bill on the table.

Carried.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By A. J. TURNER, Chief Clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:—I am directed to inform you that the Senate has concurred in

No. 339, A.,

A bill to facilitate the more perfect execution of trusts in certain cases.

And has amended and concurred in as amended

No. 427, A.,

A bill to amend sub-division 10, of section 11, of chapter 119, of the general laws of 1872, entitled "an act in relation to railroads and the organization of railroad companies."

And has concurred in the Assembly amendment to the Senate amendment to

No. 136, A.,

A bill relating to the invention and successful use of steam and other mechanical agents on highways, and amendatory of chapter 134 of the laws of 1875, as amended by chapter 182 of the laws of 1876.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

No. 427, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 121, of the general laws of 1856, entitled "an act concerning railroads."

Senate amendments concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Merrill,

The Assembly resolved itself into a

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

On the General File of bills.

Mr. Herron in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman reported as follows:

MR. SPEAKER:—The Assembly, in Committee of the Whole, has had under consideration the General File of Bills, has gone through with the same, and has instructed me to report the following bills to the Assembly for its consideration:

No. 317, A.,

A bill to repeal section 6, chapter 81, of the Revised Statutes, and chapter 149, of the laws of 1876.

With amendment.

No. 94, S.,

A bill relating to and amendatory of chapter 12, of the laws of 1873, entitled "an act to provide for the improvement of Yellow river for log driving purposes."

No. 245, A.,

A bill to provide for settling the award in favor of S. D. Carpenter, made under the provisions of chapter 323, general laws of 1874, and submitted to the legislature of 1875 by the secretary of state, state treasurer and attorney general, as printing commissioners.

No. 208, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 152, general laws of 1872, entitled "an act to authorize the county board of supervisors in the several counties of this state, to levy a special tax for county road purposes," and to amend chapter 229, laws of 1874.

No. 197, S.,

A bill relating to the Sturgeon Bay and Lake Michigan Ship Canal, and to amend chapter 365, of the private and local laws of 1864, entitled "an act to incorporate the Sturgeon Bay and Lake Michigan Ship Canal and Harbor Company," approved April 2, 1864.

No. 377, A.,

A bill authorizing the making and filing of proof of sales in Fond du Lac county.

No. 101, S.,

A bill to supply the state capitol with water, and to protect it from fire.

No. 262, S.,

A bill to provide for levying a state tax for the year 1877.

No. 245, S.,

A bill authorizing and directing the secretary of state to order the binding of the reports of the railroad commissioner.

No. 166, A.,

A bill for the better organization of the militia of the State of Wisconsin.

No. 237, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money therein named.

No. 325, A.,

A bill to amend an act entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Stevens Point," approved May 4, A. D. 1858, and the several acts amendatory thereof.

No. 61, S.,

A bill authorizing Chauncey Lamb, Fred. Weyehauser, W. Young, Henry Hewitt, Charles Burnham and their associates, to improve the Flambeau river.

Each without amendments.

On motion of Mr. Van Waters,
The Assembly adjourned.

TUESDAY, MARCH 6, 1877.

Assembly met,

The Speaker in the chair.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Huntley.

The roll was called, and the following members present:

Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hurlburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Knowlton, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhäuser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—94.

Absent on Leave—Messrs. Bailey, H. J. Fisk, Hammel, Maxwell, Vincent—5.

Absent—Mr. Knowlton.

COMMUNICATION.

To the Legislature of the State of Wisconsin:

I would respectfully report to your honorable bodies that the amount of logs scaled, and timber and sawed lumber measured and estimated in lumber district No. 10, of the State of Wisconsin, for the year ending December 31, 1876, to be as follows:

	<i>Feet.</i>
Logs scaled.....	6, 883, 417
Sawed lumber, measured and estimated.....	5, 375, 140
Total	<u>12, 258, 557</u>

I would respectfully report further to your honorable bodies, that the above figures do not approximate to a representation of the annual cut of logs and lumber in this district. For the purpose of showing as nearly as possible the product for the past year, I have carefully made the following estimate :

	<i>Feet.</i>
Total amount of logs cut.....	90, 000, 000
Total amount of lumber manufactured.....	<u>60, 000, 000</u>

Respectfully submitted,

H. L. WHEELER,
Lumber Inspector, 10th District of Wisconsin.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Senn :

Jt. Res. No. 39, A.,

Resolved by the Assembly, the Senate concurring, That the title of No. 14, A., be amended so as to read as follows:

A bill to amend sections 28 and 10 of chapter 344 of the general laws of 1876, entitled an act to codify and consolidate all laws in relation to town insurance companies.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same correctly engrossed.

No. 455, A.,

A bill relating to the expenses of persons doing business for the state.

No. 385, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 449 of the private and local laws of 1869, entitled "an act incorporate the city of Oconto," and acts amendatory thereof.

No. 349, A.,

A bill to define the duties of towns and town officers in certain cases.

No. 289, A.,

A bill relating to the duties of the city clerk and city treasurer of the city of Watertown, in certain cases.

No. 338, A.,

A bill to authorize the judge of the county court of Winnebago county to employ a short hand reporter.

No. 348, A.,

A bill to provide for the organization of road districts.

No. 135, A.,

A bill to authorize the tender of judgment in justices' courts, in actions on contract, or for involuntary trespass after the commencement of the action.

No. 10, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 314 of the general laws of 1876, entitled "an act relating to trespassing on state lands," and for the repeal of chapter 21 of the general laws of 1871, entitled "an act to consolidate and amend the laws relating to trespassing on state lands."

No. 369, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 137, of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act to amend section 6, of chapter 134, of the Revised Statutes, entitled 'of executions and proceedings supplementary thereto.'"

Jt. Res. No. 31, A.,

Directing the governor to place to the credit of his contingent fund certain moneys.

Jt. Res. No. 32, A.,

Directing the Board of Centennial Managers to pay over to the governor certain moneys.

Jt. Res. No. 33, A.,

Directing the secretary of state to transfer certain moneys to the general fund.

W. R. HERRON,
Chairman.

The Committee on Enrolled Bills have examined and find correctly enrolled the following bills:

No. 160, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 195, of the laws of 1874, entitled "an act to amend sections 1 and 3, of chapter 275, of the private and local laws of 1869, entitled 'an act for the preservation of fish in Big Green and Little Green Lakes.'"

No. 73, A.,

A bill relating to the preservation of game, and amendatory of section 1, of chapter 121, of the laws of 1874.

No. 96, A.,

A bill relating to the appointment of fire wardens in certain cases, and amendatory of chapter 27 of the general laws of this state for the year 1874.

No. 158, A.,

A bill for the preservation of fish in the waters of Rock river and Hustisford mill pond, in the counties of Dodge, Jefferson and Rock.

No. 319, A.,

A bill to authorize the commissioners of school and university lands to loan a portion of the trust funds of the state to the city of Neenah.

No. 359, A.,

A bill relating to the right of way of railroads, and amendatory of section 16, chapter 119, of the general laws of 1872.

No. 440, A.,

A bill relating to the bringing of actions for penalties, and appeals therein.

No. 262, A.,

A bill to authorize the city of Racine to levy a special tax.

No. 431, A.,

A bill to legalize certain acts of the board of supervisors of Manitowoc county, Wisconsin.

No. 171, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 164, of the laws of 1873, entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Fort Howard," approved March 14, 1873.

No. 172, A.,

A bill to extend the benefits of the public schools, and promote the fitness of many foreigners for citizenship.

No. 427, A.,

A bill to amend subdivision 10, of section 11, of chapter 119, of the general laws of 1872, entitled "an act in relation to railroads and the organization of railroad companies."

No. 18, A.,

A bill to amend the city charter of the city of Fond du Lac, and to repeal sections 12 and 15 of chapter 5 of chapter 59 of the private and local laws of 1868, of chapter 474 of the private and local laws of the year 1871, and all acts amendatory thereof.

J. J. SENN,
Chairman.

The Joint Committee on Claims had under consideration

No. 215, S.,

A bill to cheapen the cost of supporting the common schools of the state.

And report the same back with amendment, and recommend passage of the bill when so amended.

JOHN LUCHSINGER,
Chairman.

SENATE BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

No. 161, S.,

Relating to corporations organized under provisions of chapter 113 of the laws of 1874.

Was read a third time and concurred in.

No. 186, S.,

A bill in relation to the county and state canvass of votes.

Amendments adopted, and bill indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. Van Waters, the vote by which the Assembly yesterday refused to order to a third reading No. 211, S., was reconsidered.

On motion of Mr. Weeks, the vote by which the Assembly refused to order to a third reading No. 189, S., was reconsidered.

On motion of Mr. Weeks, the rules were suspended, and

No. 211, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the Northern Wisconsin Agricultural and Mechanical Association a sum of money therein named.

Was read a third time and concurred in, by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Brooks, Cash, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Dale, Dailey, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, Flinn, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Herron, Hubbard, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Kast, Kelly, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Mitchell, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ringle, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Stapleton, Sylvester, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Wall, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks—56.

Noes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Bock, Brost, Burnett, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Fink, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Gray, Hamilton, Hull, Hulburt, Johnston, Keogh, Kinzie, Marx, McCarty, Merrill, Mohr, Ries, Rice, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Spence, Tisch, Van Waters, Walker, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—35.

On motion of Mr. Weeks, the rules were suspended and

No. 189, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the Wisconsin State Agricultural Society a sum of money therein named.

Was read a third time, and Mr. Spence offered the following amendment :

Amend by striking out the words “\$2,000” where they occur in the second line of section 1, of the printed bill, and inserting in lieu thereof the words “one thousand dollars.”

Adopted.

Mr. Seymour offered the following amendment to the amendment :

Amend by striking out the words “thousand dollars.”

Lost.

Mr. Flanders offered the following amendment :

Add to section 1: “*Provided*, the secretary of the state agricultural society shall pay back to the state the amount charged by him to the Centennial commission for railroad fare to and from Philadelphia, while traveling on a pass received by him as secretary of said state agricultural society.”

Mr. Merrill offered the following amendment to the amendment :

"*Provided, further, that no part of the money hereby appropriated shall be used for promulgating greenback or any other theories foreign to the interests of agriculture.*"

Which was accepted by Mr. Flanders.

Mr. Seymour offered the following amendment:

Amend by adding to section 1: "*and, provided, that the secretary of said society do not have pay for railroad fare when riding on free passes.*"

Adopted.

Mr. Fink moved to lay the pending amendments on the table, and called for the ayes and noes.

Which being ordered, the roll was called and motion to table lost by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Bock, Brost, Burnett, W. E. Carter, Fink, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Gray, Hulburt, Kast, Marx, Merrill, Ries, Rice, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Spence, Stapleton, Wyatt, Zeiman—23.

Noes—Messrs. Abell, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Brooks, Cash, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, Flinn, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Luchsinger, McCollum, McCarty, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ringle, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Van Waters, Wall, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—65.

Mr. Fink moved the previous question,

Which was lost.

Mr. Hubbard moved that all the amendments and bill be committed to the Committee on Agriculture.

Lost.

The question being upon the adoption of Mr. Flanders' motion, It was lost, and bill concurred in by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Brooks, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hubbard, Hull, Hyde, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Knapp, Leavens, Luchsinger, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Ringle, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Van Waters, Wall, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—60.

Noes—Messrs. Phineas Baldwin, Bock, Brost, W. E. Carter, Fink, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Gray, Herron, Hulburt, Keogh, Kinzie, Linderman, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Ries, Rice, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Spence, Stapleton, Vance, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman—29.

Mr. Sylvester moved that all rules interfering with the concurrence of bill No. 215, S., be suspended.

Which prevailed.

Mr. Hamilton moved to lay the bill on the table.

Which prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnot, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Deland, Dorwin, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Gray, Greening, Götze, Hamilton, Herron, Hull, Hyde, Innis, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Knapp, Leavens, Linderman, Marx, Merrill, Nelson, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Touhey, Vance, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—63.

Noes—Messrs. Arnold, Phineas Baldwin, Cash, B. F. Carter, Dailey, Dixon, Doxtader, Flinn, Grover, Hulburt, Johnson, Luchsinger, McCarty, Mitchell, Mohr, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Thornton, Truell, Weeks, Wright—27.

On motion of Mr. Sylvester,

The Assembly adjourned till 7:30 this evening.

7:30, P. M.

Assembly met,

The Speaker in the chair.

The roll being called, the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Götze, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Marx, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—88.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Bailey, H. J. Fisk, Hammel, Maxwell, Vincent—5.

Absent—Messrs. Carmichael, Deland, Hamilton, Herron, Knowlton, Leavens, Nelson—7.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs. Spence and Marx, indefinitely.

To Mr. Nelson, until to-morrow morning.

STATE OF WISCONSIN,
OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY,
MADISON, March 6, 1877.

Hon. J. B. Cassoday, Speaker of the Assembly:

MY DEAR SIR:—From proceedings of the Assembly, to-day published in the Wisconsin State Journal of this evening, the impression seems to prevail among some of the members of said Assembly, that I have charged the Wisconsin State Agricultural Society, railway fare, when traveling upon free passes, as secretary of said society. I desire by you, to say to the honorable, the Assembly, that I have acted as secretary of said society for nearly five years, and by the courtesy of railway officials, have traveled over nearly all of the railway lines of the state on free passes, during nearly all that time, and not in a single instance have I charged or received from said Agricultural Society, while using or traveling on said passes, a single cent.

W. W. FIELD,
Secretary of Wisconsin State Agricultural Society.

Referred to committee of conference.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Hubbard:

Res. No. 53, A.,

Resolved, That all rules of the Assembly interfering with the consumption of tobacco and the comfort of the smoking members be suspended for this evening.

Adopted.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Judiciary have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same back as follows:

No. 237, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 130, general laws of 1868, entitled "an act to provide for the assessment of property for taxation, and the levy of taxes thereon.

No. 30, S.,

A bill to amend section 16, of chapter 130, of the general laws of 1868, entitled 'an act to provide for the assessment of property for taxation, and levy of taxes thereon.'

Each with amendments, and concurrence recommended when so amended.

No. 376, A.,

An act concerning garnishee proceedings, and to amend chapter 57 of the laws of 1875.

Res. No. 52, A.,

Changing the title to No. 14, A.

Each with a substitute, and passage of the substitute recommended.

No. 96, S.,

A bill to distribute more equally the burdens of taxation in certain counties in this state.

With amendments, and concurrence recommended when so amended.

No. 148, S.,

A bill relating to swamp lands in a certain locality and to repeal chapter 313, of the private and local laws of 1869, entitled "an act to authorize the use of money arising from the sale of certain swamp and overflowed lands in the county of Portage for drainage purposes, and to amend chapter 537, of the laws of 1865, relating thereto;" and also to repeal chapter 105, of the private and local laws of 1875, entitled "an act to amend chapter 313, of the private and local laws of 1869."

Without amendment, and concurrence recommended.

CARL C. POPE,

Chairman.

The Committee on Railroads have had under consideration the following bill, and report the same back as follows:

No. 408, A.,

A bill to amend the charter of the Madison & Portage Railroad Company.

Report the same back with an amendment, and recommend that the same be referred to the Judiciary Committee.

W. J. FISK,

Chairman.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same correctly engrossed.

No. 454, A.,

A bill to appropriate to John M. Bowman, Wm. Vroman and T. Brown and others, a sum of money.

No. 241, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Yates V. Beebe a sum of money.

No. 206, A.,

A bill relating to attorneys and amendatory of chapter 189 of the laws of Wisconsin for 1861, entitled "an act relating to the admission of attorneys of courts of record."

No. 81, A.,


A bill relating to grading and turnpiking public highways in this state.

No. 131, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Peter Feagan a sum of money therein named.

W. R. HERRON,

Chairman.



The Committee on State Affairs have have had under consideration the following bill, and report the same back as follows :

No. 257, S.,

A bill to provide for the appointment of a commissioner to the International Prison Congress.

And recommend that that the same be concurred in.

PHINEAS BALDWIN,

Chairman.

The Committee on Town and County Organization have had under consideration the following bill, and report the same back as follows :

No. 60, A.,

A bill for the division of the counties of Chippewa and Lincoln, and the erection of the county of Ludington.

And recommend indefinite postponement.

H. P. LEAVENS,

Chairman.

The Committee on Education, to whom was referred

No. 71, S.,

A bill relating to the establishment and aid in the maintenance of free high schools, and amendatory of chapter 323, of the laws of 1875,

Have had the same under consideration, and instructed me to report the same back with a recommendation that it do pass.

ED. KEOGH,

Of Committee.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGE.

The Honorable, the Assembly :

The following entitled bills, memorial and joint resolutions, originating in the Assembly, have severally received the executive approval, and have been deposited in the office of the secretary of state:

No. 350, A.,

An act relating to the license fund received by the city of Chippewa Falls.

No. 50, A.,

An act relating to the commencement of actions. and amendatory of section 26, of chapter 138, of the Revised Statutes.

No. 29, A.,

An act to establish and maintain a ferry across lake Pepin and Mississippi river, from Pepin, in the county of Pepin.

No. 182, A.,

An act to authorize the construction of a viaduct on Reservoir avenue in the Sixth ward of the city of Milwaukee.

No. 42, A.,

An act relating to estates in dower, and amendatory of sections 17, 18 and 19, of chapter 89, of the Revised Statutes.

No. 165, A.,

An act relating to ward officers of the city of Watertown and amendatory of an act entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Watertown and the several acts amendatory thereof," approved March 28, 1865, and repealing chapter 237, of the laws of 1875, approved March 5, 1875.

No. 193, A.,

An act relating to prisons and common jails, and amendatory of section 9, of chapter 190 of the Revised Statutes.

No. 215, A.,

An act to authorize the transfer into the proper offices of certain documents belonging to the state.

No. 27, A.,

An act to detach certain territory from the town of Orion, and attach the same to the town of Eagle in the county of Richland, State of Wisconsin.

No. 209, A.,

An act to repeal chapter 276, of the general laws of 1875, entitled "an act to fix the fees of the register of deeds of the county of Milwaukee, for the registration of marriages, births and deaths."

No. 214, A.,

An act to legalize the acts of Frank Higgins, a justice of the peace in the county of La Fayette.

No. 243, A.,

An act relating to the State Historical Society.

No. 344, A.,

An act relating to deposits of married women, trustees and minors in savings banks.

No. 223, A.,

An act relating to the partition of real estate, and amendatory of chapter 142 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the partition of lands owned by several persons.

No. 200, A.,

An act relating to the assessors in the city of Janesville, and amendatory of section one (1), of chapter seven (7), of chapter four hundred and seventy-four (474), of the private and local laws of Wisconsin for 1866, entitled "an act to reduce the act incorporating the city of Janesville, and the several acts amendatory thereof into one act, and amend the same."

No. 43, A.,

An act relating to evidence in certain cases, and to provide an "executive privy seal."

Jt. Res. No. 28, A.,

Joint resolution relating to stereotyping plates of the geological survey report.

M. C. No. 3, A.,

Memorial to Congress for increased mail facilities in the western portion of Oconto county.

No. 346, A.,

An act to provide for the payment of the actual indebtedness of the late town of Eaton, in Monroe county."

No. 308, A.,

An act relating to highways, streets, and alleys upon boundary lines of cities and towns.

No. 225, A.,

An act relating to the bringing of actions against the city of Fond du Lac and to amend section 42, of chapter 102, of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act to amend chapter 59, private and local laws of 1868, entitled 'an act to incorporate the city of Fond du Lac.'"

No. 270, A.,

An act to provide for laying out and establishing a state road from Richland Center, in Richland county, Wisconsin, to Hillsboro, in Vernon county, Wisconsin.

No. 78, A.,

An act to confer civil jurisdiction on the county court of Fond du Lac county.

HARRISON LUDINGTON,
Governor.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By A. J. TURNER, Chief Clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:—I am directed to inform you that the Senate has passed and asks the concurrence of the Assembly in

No. 263, S.,

A bill to repeal chapter 184, of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of inquests of the dead."

No. 228, S.,

A bill to codify and amend the laws of this state relating to garnishees and garnishee proceedings.

No. 84, S.,

A bill to appropriate to A. C. Millard, H. B. Palmer and Henry C. Sibree, a sum of money therein named.

No. 53, S.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 329, general laws of 1876, entitled "an act to authorize the county of Burnett to build and maintain a free bridge across the St. Croix river, in township 38 north, range 20 east."

No. 178, S.,

A bill to appropriate to Stephen V. Shipman the sum of money therein named.

No. 150, S.,

A bill to appropriate to Ira F. Kilmer a sum of money.

No. 181, S.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 360, laws of Wisconsin, 1876, entitled "an act to prevent the hunting of deer with dogs."

No. 260, S.,

A bill to distribute more equally the burdens of taxation in certain counties in this state.

No. 229, S.,

A bill relating to evidence, and amendatory of section 2, of chapter 134, of the general laws of 1858.

And requests the return of

No. 179 S.,

A bill relating to the improvement of certain portions of the Embarras river, and amendatory of chapter 249, of the laws of 1876.

For further consideration.

And has concurred in

M. C. No. 12, A.,

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No. 373, A.,

A bill to authorize the town of Menasha, in the county of Winnebago, to take up and liquidate its bonded indebtedness.

And has amended, and concurred in as amended,

No. 453, A.,

A bill to provide for the appointment of five commissioners, who shall furnish to the next legislature certain information.

No. 186, A.,

A bill relating to iron and other ores and minerals and other substances, and to the assessment of lands containing such ores or minerals for taxation.

And has concurred in

No. 436, A.,

A bill providing for the letting of the official printing of Milwaukee.

No. 276, A.,

A bill to provide for the purchase of 250 copies of Webster's Dictionary.

No. 362, A.,

A bill to fix the terms of the circuit court of Winnebago county.

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A bill to donate the cereals and other centennial exhibits made by the state to the State Agricultural Society.

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A bill relating to the protection of insect-devouring birds, and amendatory of chapter 178, general laws of 1869.

No. 286, A.,

A bill relating to the capital of fire and inland navigation insurance companies of other states and of foreign governments, desiring to transact business in this state.

And has amended and concurred in as amended

No. 210, A.,

A bill to guard against the abuse of the elective franchise, and to preserve the purity of elections by regulating the appointment of inspectors of elections, and requiring a registration of electors in certain cases, and to repeal chapter 445, of the laws of 1864, chapter 296, of the laws of 1865, chapter 126, of the laws of 1866, chapter 134, of the laws of 1871, chapter 132, of the laws of 1875, chapter 302, of the laws of 1876, and amendatory of certain city and village charters therein referred to.

No. 328, A.,

A bill to amend section 100, of chapter 18, of the Revised Statutes, concerning the collection of delinquent personal property tax.

No. 441, A.,

A bill to require service of notice of application for tax deeds in certain cases.

No. 32, A.,

A bill to regulate the practice in certain cases.

No. 291, A.,

A bill to authorize the common council of the city of Watertown to levy a special tax to pay for engines, engine house, and bridge building.

No. 322, A.,

A bill relating to the size of the mesh used in trap or pound nets.

No. 192, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money therein named, to pay for chaplain service in the legislature, for the year 1877.

No. 5, A.,

A bill to amend section 44, of chapter 165, of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of offenses against property, and the act amendatory thereof."

And has refused to concur in

No. 365, A.,

A bill amendatory of and supplementary to the charter of the city of Milwaukee.

No. 272, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 59, of the laws of 1875, entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Manitowoc."

No. 179, A.,

A bill relating to the improvement of certain portions of the Embarras river, and amendatory of chapter 249 of the laws of 1876.

No. 31, A.,

A bill to prevent the commission of waste upon lands upon which tax certificates are outstanding and unpaid.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Nos. 84, 178, 150, and 71, S.,

Were referred to the General File.

Senate amendments to

Nos. 186, 328, 441, 32, 291, 322, 192, and 453, S.,

Were concurred in

Mr. Hubbard moved to lay the amendments to No. 210. A., on the table,

Which motion was lost by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Earnest, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Götze, Hamilton, Hubbard, Keogh, Kinzie, Marx, McCollum, Mohr, Roche, Tisch, Van Waters, Wall, Wannenmaker, Wedig, Wright—21.

Noes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Burnett, Cash, W. E. Carter, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, Fink, W. J. Fisk, Field, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Herron, Hull, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, McCarty, Merrill Mitchell, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Spence, Stapleton, Sylvester, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Walker, Weeks, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—70.

And the Senate amendments to

Said bill was concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Hubbard, the Assembly refused to concur in Senate amendments to No. 5, A., and a committee of conference on the part of the Assembly was appointed on said bill, consisting of Messrs. Hubbard, Cash and McCollum.

ASSEMBLY BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

No. 10, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 314, of the laws of 1876, entitled "an

act relating to trespassing on state lands, and for the repeal of chapter 21, of the general laws of 1871, entitled 'an act to consolidate and amend the laws relating to trespassing on state lands.

No. 135, A.,

A bill to authorize the tender of judgments in justices' courts, in actions on contract, or for involuntary trespass, after the commencement of the action.

No. 289, A.,

A bill relating to the duties of the city clerk and city treasurer of the city of Watertown, in certain cases.

No. 385, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 449 of the private and local laws of 1869, entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Oconto," and acts amendatory thereof.

No. 349, A.,

A bill to define the duties of towns and town officers in certain cases.

No. 348, A.,

A bill to provide for the organization of road districts.

No. 338, A.,

A bill to authorize the judge of the county court of Winnebago county to employ a short hand reporter.

No. 81, A.,

A bill relating to grading and turnpiking public highways.

Jt. Res. No. 31, A.,

Directing the governor to place to the credit of his contingent fund certain moneys.

Jt. Res. No. 32, A.,

Directing the Board of Centennial Managers to pay over to the governor certain moneys.

Jt. Res. No. 33, A.,

Directing the secretary of state to transfer certain moneys to the general fund.

No. 206, A.,

A bill relating to attorneys, and amendatory of chapter 189, of the laws of Wisconsin for 1861, entitled "an act relating to the admission of attorneys, and of courts of record,"

Were severally read a third time and passed.

No. 131, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Peter Feagan a sum of money therein named,

Was passed by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Arnot, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Bock, Carmichael, Crockett, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Duxtader, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hyde, Innis, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Marx, Merrill, Mitchell, Neuhauser, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Ringle, Roche, Seymour, Scheuber, Spence, Stapleton, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Wall, Wedig, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—59.

Noes—Messrs. Abell, Phineas Baldwin, Brooks, Brost, Burnett,

Dorwin, Hulburt, Johnson, Luchsinger, Newman, Sarnow, Senn, Van Waters, Walker, Wannemaker, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman—19.

No. 241, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Yates V. Beebee, a sum of money.

Was passed by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Bock, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Dale, Dailey, Dixon, Duxtader, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Gray, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Herron, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Marx, McCollum, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Spence, Stapleton, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Wall, Wedig, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—71.

Noes—Messrs. Brooks, Brost, Crockett, Dorwin, Van Waters, Wannemaker, Wright—7.

No. 454, A.,

To appropriate two hundred and fifty-five dollars to Jno. M. Bowman, Wm. Vroman and T. Brown.

Was read a third time and passed by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Bock, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Dale, Dailey, Dixon, Duxtader, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Gray, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Herron, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Marx, McCollum, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Spence, Stapleton, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Wall, Wedig, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—71.

Noes—Messrs. Brooks, Brost, Crockett, Dorwin, Van Waters, Wannemaker, Wright—7.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By A. J. TURNER, Chief Clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform you that the Senate agrees to a Committee of Conference, on the disagreeing vote between the Senate and the Assembly, on the Senate amendment to

No. 5, A.,

A bill to amend section 44 of chapter 165, of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of offenses against property, and the act amendatory thereof."

And has appointed Senators Downs, Ryan and Burrows, as managers on the part of the Senate.

And refused to concur in Assembly amendments to

No. 189, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the Wisconsin State Agricultural Society a sum of money therein named.

And respectfully requests a committee of conference on the disagreeing vote, and has appointed Senators Rankin, Torrey and Barden, as managers at the said conference on the part of the Senate.

The speaker appointed as such committee on the part of the Assembly, Messrs. Field, Dousman and McCarty.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Judiciary have had under consideration the following bill, and report the same back as follows :

No. 408, A.,

A bill to amend the charter of the Madison and Portage Railroad Company.

With amendments, and recommend its passage when so amended.

CARL C. POPE,
Chairman.

The Committee on Enrolled Bills have examined, and find correctly enrolled, the following bill :

No. 339, A.,

A bill to facilitate the more perfect execution of trusts in certain cases.

JOHN J. SENN,
Chairman.

SELECT CONFERENCE.

The Committee of Conference on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the amendendments of the Assembly to Senate bill No. 189, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the State Agricultural Society, a sum of money therein named.

Having met, and after a full and free conference, have been unable to agree.

N. J. FIELD,
H. F. DOUSMAN,
THOS. McCARTY,
On part of Assembly.

The Conference Committee to whom was referred

No. 5, A.,

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend that the Senate recede from its amendment to said bill.

D. L. DOWNS,
GEO. B. BURROWS,
JAS. RYAN.

On part of Senate.

S. D. HUBBARD,
W. H. H. CASH,
J. L. R. MCCOLLUM,

On part of Assembly.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE LAYING
OVER, CONSIDERED.

No. 208, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 152, general laws of 1872, entitled "an act to authorize the county board of supervisors in the several counties of this state. to levy a special tax for county road purposes," and to amend chapter 229, laws of 1874.

No. 197, S.,

A bill relating to the Sturgeon Bay and Lake Michigan ship canal, and to amend chapter 365, of the private and local laws of 1864, entitled "an act to incorporate the Sturgeon Bay and Lake Michigan Ship Canal, and Harbor Company," approved April 2, 1864.

No. 30, S.,

A bill to amend section 16, of chapter 130, of the general laws of 1868, entitled "an act to provide for the assessment of property for taxation and the levy of taxes thereon."

No. 245, S.,

A bill authorizing and directing the secretary of state to order the binding of the reports of the railroad commissioner.

No. 262, S.,

A bill to provide for levying a state tax for the year 1877.

Were severally ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Hulburt,

No. 101, S.,

A bill to supply the state capitol with water, and to protect it from fire.

Was, with pending amendments, laid on the table by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Bock, Brooks, Brost, Burnett, Carmichael, Crockett, Dailey, Deland, Dorwin, W. J. Fisk, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Gray, Greening, Goetze, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Innis, Johnston, Kast, Keogh, Marx, Merrill, Mohr,

Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Seymour, Stapleton, Tisch, Thornton, Van Waters, Walker, Wannenmaker, Wedig, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman—47.

Noes—Messrs. Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, W. E. Carter, Dale, Dixon, Doxtader, Earnest, Fink, Herron, Hyde, Johnson, Kelly, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsey, Linderman, Luchsinger, Mitchell, Phillips, Pope, Senn, Scheuber, Shepard, Spence, Sylvester, Truell, Vance, Wall, Weeks, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—34.

On motion of Mr. Hubbard,

No. 94, S.,

A bill relating to and amendatory of chapter 12, of the laws of 1873, entitled "an act to provide for the improvement of Yellow river for log driving purposes."

Was laid on the table.

Mr. Carter moved to take

No. 94, S.,

A bill relating to and amendatory of chapter 12, of the laws of 1873, entitled "an act to provide for the improvement of Yellow river for log driving purposes."

From the table.

Which motion was carried, and said bill was ordered read a third time.

No. 337, A.,

A bill authorizing the making and filing of proof of tax sales in Fond du Lac county.

No. 317, A.,

A bill to repeal section 6, chapter 81, of the Revised Statutes, and chapter 149, of the laws of 1876.

Were severally ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 166, A.,

A bill for the better organization of the militia of the State of Wisconsin.

With pending amendments, was laid on the table.

Mr. Hubbard moved that when the Assembly do adjourn, it adjourn till to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Hyde,

The Assembly adjourned till 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7, 1877.

9:00 A. M.

Assembly met,

The Speaker in the chair.

The roll was called, and the following members present:

Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Bock, Brooks, Blakeslee, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Spence, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—90.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Bailey, Hammel, Maxwell, Vincent—4.

Absent—Messrs. Brost, Gray, Knowlton, Marx, Stapleton, Zeiman—6.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted to Messrs. Gray, Brost, Shepard, Dixon, Zeiman, Fitzgerald, Arnot and Walker, indefinitely.

To Mr. Pierce (after morning session), indefinitely.

To Mr. Hyde (after morning session), for the day.

RESOLUTION CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 39, A.,

Changing title to No. 14, A.,

Substitute for, adopted.

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SENATE BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

No. 208, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 152, general laws of 1872, entitled "an act to authorize the county board of supervisors in the several counties of this state, to levy a special tax for county road purposes," and to amend chapter 229, laws of 1874.

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A bill relating to and amendatory of chapter 12, of the laws of 1873, entitled "an act to provide for the improvement of Yellow river for log-driving purposes."

Were each read a third time and concurred in.

ASSEMBLY BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

No. 455, A.,

A bill relating to the expenses of persons doing business for the state.

Was read a third time and passed.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Enrolled Bills have examined and find correctly enrolled the following bills:

No. 422, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 47, of the general laws of 1871, entitled "an act to amend chapter 107, of the private and local laws of 1867, entitled 'an act to authorize the appointment of phonographic reporters in the circuit court of the counties of Milwaukee and Kenosha.'"

No. 227, A.,

A bill relating to costs and fees, and amending section 33 of chapter 133 of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of costs and fees."

No. 190, A.,

A bill relating to and amendatory of section 1, chapter 38, laws of 1874, entitled "an act to ascertain annually the number of the principal farm products of the state."

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A bill to extend the time for the construction of the North Wisconsin Railway, and to waive the forfeiture therein referred to.

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M. C. No. 12, A.,

To Congress for a survey of Wolf river, from lake Poygan to the mouth of Red river.

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No. 453, A.,

A bill to provide for the appointment of five commissioners, who shall furnish to the next legislature certain information, and who shall report to said legislature a bill to re-district the state into judicial circuits, equalizing the labor of the judges thereof, and determining the salaries of said judges.

JOHN J. SENN,
Chairman.

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

The Joint Committee of Conference on

No. 189, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the Wisconsin State Agricultural Society a sum of money therein named.

Respectfully report that after due deliberation they agree that the Senate recede from the vote whereby it refused to concur in Assembly amendment to section 1, namely: by adding thereto, "*provided*, that no greater sum than one thousand dollars per annum shall be paid as salary to the secretary of said society," and on part of the Assembly that it shall recede from the vote insisting on the second amendment, namely: amend by striking out the words "two thousand dollars," where they occur in the second line of section 1 of the printed bill, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "one thousand dollars."

G. B. BURROWS,
D. E. WELCH,
I. W. VAN SCHAICK,
On part of the Senate.
N. J. FIELD,
H. F. DOUSMAN,
THOMAS McCARTY,
On part of the Assembly.

The Committee of One to whom was referred

No. 412, A.,

Report the same back by substitute, and recommend the passage of the substitute.

T. CARMICHAEL,
Committee.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By A. J. TURNER, Chief Clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:—I am directed to inform you that the Senate has concurred in

No. 318, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 127 of the laws of 1874, entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Menasha, and as amended by chapter 343 of the laws of 1875.

No. 115, A.,

A bill to authorize Albert M. Woodbury to build and maintain a pontoon bridge across the Wisconsin river, from some point in the northwest quarter of section No. nineteen (19), in township No. eight, north of range No. three east, in Iowa county, Wisconsin, to some point in section No. twelve, in township No. nine, north of range No. three east, in Sauk county, Wisconsin.

And has amended, and concurred in as amended,

No. 177, A.,

A bill to improve the Cunningham Creek, in Clark county, Wisconsin, and to grant to Chauncey Blakeslee, his successors or assigns, certain powers and privileges therein named.

No. 341, A.,

A bill relating to the revision of the statutes, and amendatory of chapter 203 of the laws of 1875.

No. 340, A.,

A bill in relation to the release of dower in real estate by insane persons.

Jt. Res. No. 40, A.,

Instructing the Clerk to correct clerical error in bill No. 231, A.

Jt. Res. No. 39, A.,

Changing the title to No. 14, A.

And has refused to concur in

No. 179, A.,

A bill relating to the improvement of certain portions of the Embarrass river, and amendatory of chapter 249 of the laws of 1876.

No. 389, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 303, of the general laws of 1873, entitled "an act to amend chapter 58, of the Revised Statutes, and the act amendatory thereto, entitled 'of weights and measures.'"

No. 421, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 26, of the general laws of 1871, relating to towns and town officers.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By A. J. TURNER, Chief Clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:—I am directed to inform you that the Committee of Conference on the disagreeing vote on the Assembly amendments to

No. 189, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the Wisconsin State Agricultural Society a sum of money therein named.

Having failed to agree, a new Committee of Conference is requested, and the following Senators are appointed managers on the part of the Senate: Senators Burrows, Hudd, and Van Schaick.

Also that the Senate has agreed to the report of the Committee of Conference on

No. 5, A.,

A bill relating to the difference between dogs, cats and other beasts.

SENATE MESSAGES CONSIDERED.

No. 189, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the Wisconsin State Agricultural Society a sum of money therein named.

In compliance with the request of the Senate, asking for a new committee of conference on said bill, the Speaker appointed as such committee, on the part of the Assembly, Messrs. Field, Dousman, and McCarty.

No. 177, A.,

A bill to improve Cunningham creek, in Clark county, Wisconsin, and to grant to Chauncey Blakeslee, his successors or assigns, certain powers and privileges therein named.

No 341, A.,

A bill relating to the revision of the statutes, and amendatory of chapter 203, of the laws of 1875.

No. 340, A.,

A bill in relation to the release of dower in real estate by insane persons.

The Senate amendments to each were concurred in.

Mr. Luchsinger moved to indefinitely postpone

No. 245, S.,

A bill authorizing and directing the secretary of state to order the binding of the reports of the railroad commissioner.

Which was lost, and bill read a third time and concurred in, by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. I. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Brooks, Burnett, Cash, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Dailey, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Innis, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Neuhauser, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Rice, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt,

Spence, Truell, Vance, Wall, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wyatt, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—56.

Noes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, B. F. Carter, Crockett, Dorwin, Fink, Flinn, Johnson, Luchsinger, Mitchell, Mohr, Newman, Ries, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Van Waters, Walker, Wright—26.

No. 262, S.,

A bill to provide for levying a state tax for the year 1877.

Was read a third time and concurred in by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Brooks, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hubbard, Hull, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Rice, Ringle, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shufelt, Spence, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Van Waters, Wall, Walker, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—79.

Noes—0.

Mr. Flinn moved to suspend all rules interfering with the taking from the table No. 101, S.

Upon which motion the ayes and noes were ordered, and motion lost by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Arnold, Phineas Baldwin, Black, Burnett, Cash, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dailey, Earnest, Fink, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flinn, Hubbard, Hull, Hyde, Johnson, Kelly, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, McCollum, McCarty, Mitchell, Neuhauser, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Senn, Shufelt, Spence, Sylvester, Truell, Vance, Wall, Wannemaker, Weeks, Wright, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—43.

Noes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnot, A. L. Baldwin, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, B. F. Carter, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, W. J. Fisk, Flanders, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Hulburt, Innis, Johnston, Kast, Keogh, Kinzie, Merrill, Mohr, Newman, Owen, Ries, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Seymour, Scheuber, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Van Waters, Walker, Wedig, Wyatt—39.

Failing to obtain a two-third vote, the Assembly refused to suspend the rules.

By Mr. Fink:

Jt. Res. No. 40, A.,

Resolved by the Assembly, the Senate concurring, That the chief clerk of the Assembly be and he is hereby authorized to correct a clerical error in bill No. 231, A., as follows:

Insert after the word "Milwaukee" in second line of section three (3) the word "county."

Rules suspended and resolution adopted unanimously.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE LAYING
OVER.

No. 237, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 130, general laws of 1868, entitled "an act to provide for the assessment of property for taxation, and the levy of taxes thereon."

Amendments adopted, and bill ordered to a third reading.

No. 245, A.,

A bill to provide for settling the award in favor of S. D. Carpenter, made under the provisions of chapter 323, general laws of 1874, and submitted to the legislature of 1875 by the secretary of state, state treasurer and attorney general, as printing commissioners.

No. 145, A.,

A bill relating to town insurance companies.

No. 325, A.,

A bill to amend an act entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Stevens Point," approved May 4, A. D. 1858, and the several acts amendatory thereof.

No. 330, A.,

A bill relating to town insurance companies.

No. 61, S.,

A bill authorizing Chauncey Lamb and others to improve the Flambeau river.

No. 138, S.,

A bill relating to town insurance companies.

No. 239, A.,

A bill relating to town insurance companies.

Were each indefinitely postponed.

No. 237, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money therein named.

Mr. Merrill moved to lay the bill on the table.

Carried,

And so ordered.

No. 456, A.,

A bill to authorize the collection of lumber statistics.

On motion was tabled.

On motion of Mr. Spence, the rules were suspended requiring the Assembly to resolve itself into a committee of the whole, on the General File of bills,

And the General File was taken up by the Assembly, for consideration.

No. 412, A.,

A bill relating to and amendatory of chapter 183, private and local laws of the year 1874, entitled "an act relating to the police court of the city of Eau Claire.

Substitute adopted and bill ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 60, A.,

A bill for the division of the counties of Chippewa and Lincoln, and the erection of the county of Ludington.

Was indefinitely postponed.

No. 376, A.,

A act concerning garnishee proceedings, and to amend chapter 57 of the laws of 1875.

No. 408, A.,

A bill to amend the charter of the Madison & Portage Railroad Company.

The amendments to each were adopted and each ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 95, S.,

A bill in relation to the proceedings and duties of certain commissioners.

Mr. W. E. Carter moved to indefinitely postpone the bill,

Which was carried by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, A. L. Baldwin, Black Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Burnett, W. E. Carter, Dale, Deland, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Flinn, Greening, Herron, Hubbard, Hulburt, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Leavens, Linderman, Luchsinger, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Pope, Ries, Rice, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Shepard, Sylvester, Van Waters, Walker, Weeks, Wyatt, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—48.

Noes—Messrs. Arnold, Cash, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dailey, Earnest, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Grover, Gøtze, Hamilton, Hull, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, McCollum, McCarty, Mohr, Neuhauser, Phillips, Ringle, Roche, Scheuber, Shufelt, Stapleton, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Wall, Wannemaker, Wedig, Wright—37.

Mr. W. E. Carter moved to reconsider the vote just taken by which No. 95, S., was indefinitely postponed, and lay the motion on the table.

Pending which Mr. Hubbard moved a

CALL OF THE HOUSE

Which being ordered, the roll was called and the following members absent:

Messrs. Knowlton, Spence and H. J. Fisk.

On motion of Mr. Leavens, the further proceedings under the call was dispensed with by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Bock, Brooks, Burnett, W. E. Carter, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Fink, W. J. Fisk, Greening, Herron, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnston, Kast, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Shepard, Shufelt, Sylvester, Truell, Walker, Weeks, Wyatt, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—52.

Noes—Messrs. Arnold, Blakeslee, Cash, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Earnest Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Grover, Gøtze, Hamilton, Hubbard, Hull, Johnson, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, McCarty, Mohr, Neuhauser, Ringle, Roche, Stapleton,

Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Vance, Van Waters, Wall, Wannemaker, Wedig, Wright—36.

Mr. Hubbard moved to adjourn.

Lost.

Mr. Hubbard moved a

CALL OF THE HOUSE.

Lost.

Mr. Ringle moved that the Assembly adjourn till 2:30 P. M.

Which was lost by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Arnold, Blakeslee, Cash, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hubbard, Hull, Hyde, Keogh, Kinzie, McCarty, McCollum, McCarty, Nelson, Ringle, Roche, Scheuber, Stapleton, Tisch, Thornton, Van Waters, Wall, Wannemaker, Wedig—29.

Noes—Messrs. Abell, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Bock, Brooks, Burnett, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, Field, Greening, Herron, Hulburt, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Neuhauser, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Sylvester, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Walker, Weeks, Wright, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—57.

Mr. Hubbard moved to adjourn till 2 p. m.,

Which was lost by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Arnold, Blakeslee, Cash, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Earnest, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Goetze, Hubbard, Hull, Keogh, Kinzie, McCarty, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Ringle, Roche, Scheuber, Thornton, Van Waters, Wall, Wannemaker, Wedig, Wright—28.

Noes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Bock, Brooks, Burnett, W. E. Carter, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Doxtader, Dousman, Fink, W. J. Fisk, Field, Greening, Grover, Herron, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Merrill, Mitchell, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Shepard, Shufelt, Stapleton, Sylvester, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Walker, Weeks, Wyatt, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—56.

Mr. Flinn moved to adjourn till 7:30,

Which was lost by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Arnold, Cash, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Earnest, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Flinn, Grover, Goetze, Hamilton, Hubbard, Hull, Keogh, Kinzie, McCarty, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Ringle, Roche, Scheuber, Stapleton, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Wall, Wannemaker, Wedig, Wright, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—31.

Noes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Burnett, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Dorwin, Doxtader, Dousman, Fink, W. J.

Fisk, Field, Greening, Herron, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Merrill, Mitchell, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Shepard, Shufelt, Sylvester, Truell, Vance, Van Waters, Walker, Weeks, Wyatt—55.

Mr. W. E. Carter withdrew, by consent of the Assembly, that part of his motion to reconsider the vote on No. 95, S., which related to laying the motion on the table.

The question now being, shall the vote by which No. 95, S. was indefinitely postponed be reconsidered, it was lost by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Arnold, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Earnest, Field, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Grover, Götze, Hamilton, Hull, Hyde, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, McCarty, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Phillips, Ringle, Roche, Senn, Scheuber, Shufelt, Stapleton, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Vance, Wall, Wedig,—33.

Noes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnot, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Burnett, W. E. Carter, Dale, Dailey, Deland, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Flinn, Greening, Herron, Hubbard, Hulburt, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Merrill, Mitchell, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Pope, Ries, Rice, Fink, Sarnow, Seymour, Sylvester, Truell, Van Waters, Walker, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—52.

Upon motion, the Assembly concurred in the report of the Joint Committee of conference upon bill No. 189, S.

Mr. W. J. Fisk moved that when the Assembly adjourn, it do adjourn till 2:30 this P. M.

Carried.

On motion of Mr. Touhey,
The Assembly adjourned.

2:30 P. M.

Assembly met.

The Speaker in the chair.

The roll was called and the following members present:

Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Dixon, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flinn, Greening, Grover, Götze, Hamilton, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavans, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, McCollum, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle,

Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Truell, Vance, Van Waters, Wall, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—82.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Arnot, Brost, Gray, Hammel, Maxwell, Marx, McCarty, Shepard, Vincent, Walker, Zieman—11.

Absent—Messrs. Arnold, Deland, Flanders, Knowlton, Shufelt, Spence, Touhey—7.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted to Messrs. Flanders and Deland indefinitely.
To Mr. Touhey, until to-morrow.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By A. J. TURNER, Chief Clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:—I am directed to inform you that the Senate requests the return of

No. 389, A.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 303 of the general laws of 1873, entitled "an act to amend chapter 58, of the Revised Statutes," and the act amendatory thereto, entitled "of weights and measures."

And has concurred in

No. 324, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 227, of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act to provide for the recording of the lands of the Wisconsin Railroad Farm Mortgage Land Company, in the register's office of the several counties in which such lands are situated."

No. 334, A.,

A bill to authorize John T. Kingston, John Smart, Wm. Woock, and their associates to build and maintain a bridge across the Wisconsin river, and authorizing certain towns to grant aid therefor.

No. 337, A.,

A bill to regulate fees in settlement of particular estates in the county court for Milwaukee county, in probate.

No. 357, A.,

A bill relating to the protection of the capitol and the capitol park, in the city of Madison, and amendatory of section 3 of chapter 117 of the laws of 1870.

No. 114, A.,

A bill relating to public printing, and amendatory of section 16, of chapter 243, of the laws of 1874.

No. 300, A.,

A bill declaring certain portions of Spring street road in the town of Wauwatosa, a county highway, and providing for the improvement thereof.

No. 261, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 278, laws of 1874, entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Shawano."

No. 391, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 313 of the private and local laws of 1869, relating to certain overflowed and swamp lands in the county of Portage.

No. 378, A.,

A bill to amend section 41, of chapter 1, of chapter 148, of the general laws of the year 1873, entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Boscobel," as amended by section 2, of chapter 84, of the general laws of Wisconsin for 1875.

No. 370, A.,

A bill relating to a dam on Little Wolf river, in Waupaca county, and amendatory of section 4 of chapter 169 of laws of Wisconsin for 1875.

No. 425, A.,

A bill to authorize the county board of supervisors of the county of Adams to sell and dispose of all the lands owned by said county for the purposes therein set forth.

No. 366, A.,

A bill relating to a dam across Little Wolf river, in Waupaca county, and amendatory of section 4 chapter 159 of the laws of Wisconsin for 1873.

No. 439, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Henry Fink a sum of money therein named.

No. 438, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Peter Salentine a sum of money therein named.

No. 99, A.,

A bill to provide for the establishment of a hospital and school for imbecile, idiotic or feeble-minded children.

And has amended and concurred in as amended,

No. 100, A.,

A bill to amend section 9, of chapter 3, of chapter 184, of the laws of 1874, entitled "an act to consolidate, revise and amend the charter of the city of Milwaukee, approved February 20, 1852, and the several acts amendatory thereof."

No. 112, A.,

A bill to provide for the purchase of paper required for public printing and blank books, amendatory of section 1 of chapter 200 of the laws of 1874.

No. 2, A.,

A bill relating to hawkers and peddlers, and amendatory of chapter 72, of the laws of 1870, as amended by chapter 395, of the laws of 1876.

No. 278, A.,

A bill relating to swamp and overflowed lands in the counties of Manitowoc and Calumet.

And has refused to concur in

No. 170, A.,

A bill to authorize Duncan and Taylor to maintain dams upon Silver Creek and its tributaries, in Lincoln and Taylor counties.

And has agreed to the report of the Committee on Conference on

No. 189, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the Wisconsin State Agricultural Society, a sum of money therein named.

And requests the return for further consideration

No. 170, A.,

A bill to authorize Duncan and Taylor to maintain dams upon Silver creek and its tributaries in Taylor and Lincoln counties.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Nos. 100, 2, 278, and 112, A.,

The Senate amendments to each were severally concurred in.

SENATE BILLS ON THEIR READING.

No. 237, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 130, general laws of 1868, entitled "an act to provide for the assessment of property for taxation, and the levy of taxes thereon."

Mr. Pierce moved to indefinitely postpone the bill.

Lost.

The bill was read a third time and concurred in.

Mr. A. L. Baldwin moved to reconsider the vote by which

No. 138, S.,

A bill relating to town insurance companies, and amendatory of section 10, chapter 344, laws of 1876.

Was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Hubbard moved to lay the motion on the table.

Lost, and the motion to reconsider carried.

Mr. Hubbard moved to recommit the bill to the Committee on Incorporations.

Lost.

Mr. Hubbard moved to recommit the bill to the Committee on State Affairs.

Lost.

The question being,

Shall the bill be read a third time and concurred in.

The roll was called, and the Assembly refused to order the bill to a third reading, by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Burnett, Cash, Dale, Fink, H. J. Fisk, Hyde, Innis, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Knapp, Leavens, Linderman, Nelson, Owen,

Pierce, Pope, Ries, Sarnow, Shufelt, Sylvester, Truell, Wyatt, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—28.

Noes—Messrs. Abell, Arnold, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dailey, Dorwin, Duxtader, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flinn, Greening, Grover, Götze, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Johnson, Keogh, Kinzie, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Neuhauser, Newman, Phillips, Ringle, Roche, Seymour, Stapleton, Tisch, Thornton, Vance, Van Waters, Wall, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright—48.

GENERAL FILE.

Laying over under a suspension of the rules.

No. 257, S.,

A bill to provide for the appointment of a commissioner to the International Prison Congress.

The Assembly refused to order the bill to a third reading.

No. 96, S.,

A bill to distribute more equally the burdens of taxation in certain counties in this state.

The question being shall the bill be ordered read a third time, upon which the roll was called, and bill ordered read a third time by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Bock, Brooks, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Flinn, Greening, Grover, Götze, Hamilton, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hyde, Innis, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Linderman, McCollum, McCarty, Nelson, Neuhauser, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Scheuber, Shufelt, Stapleton, Sylvester, Truell, Vance, Wall, Wedig, Wright, Wyatt, Mr. Speaker Cassody—65.

Noes—Messrs. Hulburt, Johnson, Luchsinger, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Newman, Seymour, Tisch, Thornton, Van Waters, Wannemaker, Weeks—13.

On motion of Mr. Pope, the rules were suspended, bill read a third time and concurred in, by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Arnold, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Bock, Brooks, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Fitzgerald, Flinn, Greening, Götze, Hamilton, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hyde, Innis, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Linderman, McCollum, McCarty, Nelson, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Scheuber, Shufelt, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Truell, Vance, Wall, Wright, Wyatt, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—64.

Noes—Messrs. Hulburt, Johnson, Luchsinger, Merrill, Neuhauser, Newman, Seymour, Thornton, Van Waters, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks—13.

On motion of Mr. Hubbard No. 260, S., was taken from General File and recommitted to Committee on Judiciary.

No. 84, S.,

A bill to appropriate to A. C. Millard, H. B. Palmer and Henry C. Sibree, a sum of money therein named.

Was ordered read a third time.

No. 178, S.,

A bill to appropriate to Stephen V. Shipman the sum of money therein named.

Was, on motion of Mr. W. E. Carter, indefinitely postponed.

No. 150, S.,

A bill to appropriate to Ira F. Kilmer a sum of money therein named.

Was ordered to a third reading.

No. 71, S.,

A bill relating to the establishment and aid in the maintenance of free high schools, and amendatory of chapter 323, of the general laws of 1875.

Mr. Carmichael offered the following amendment:

Amend section 1, by adding: "and all cities which embrace two or more school districts, or parts of districts, organized and governed as districts are in towns, shall be entitled to all the privileges conferred upon towns and upon the districts therein, by section second of said chapter 323, of the general laws of 1875."

Amendment adopted, and recommitted to Committee on Claims.

No. 148, S.,

A bill relating to swamp lands in a certain locality and to repeal chapter 313, of the private and local laws of 1869, entitled "an act to authorize the use of money arising from the sale of certain swamp and overflowed lands in the county of Portage for drainage purposes, and to amend chapter 537, of the laws of 1865, relating thereto;" and also to repeal chapter 105, of the private and local laws of 1875, entitled "an act to amend chapter 313, of the private and local laws of 1869."

Was ordered read a third time.

No. 263, S.,

A bill to repeal chapter 184, of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of inquests of the dead."

Was indefinitely postponed.

No. 181, S.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 360, laws of Wisconsin of 1876, entitled "an act to prevent the hunting of deer with dogs."

No. 53, S.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 329, general laws of 1876, entitled "an act to authorize the county of Burnett to build and maintain a free bridge across the St. Croix river, in township 38 north, range 20 east."

No. 228, S.,

A bill to codify and amend the laws of the state, relating to garnishees and garnishee proceedings.

No. 229, S.,

A bill relating to evidence, and amendatory of section 2 of chapter 134, of the general laws of 1858.

Were each ordered read a third time.

Mr. Hubbard moved that when the Assembly adjourn, it do adjourn until 7:30 this evening.

Carried.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Enrolled Bills have examined and find correctly enrolled the following bill:

No. 438, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Peter Salentine a sum of money therein named.

JOHN J. SENN,
Chairman.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By A. J. TURNER, Chief Clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:—I am directed to inform you that the Senate has passed and asks the concurrence of the Assembly in

No. 79, S.,

A bill relating to the compensation of clerks of circuit courts.

And has adopted, and asks the concurrence of the Assembly in Jt. Res. No. 16, S.

Relating to final adjournment.

And has concurred in the Assembly amendments to

No. 96, S.,

A bill to distribute more equally the burdens of taxation in certain counties in this state.

No. 237, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 130, general laws of 1868, entitled "an act to provide for the assessment of property for taxation and the levy of taxes thereon."

And has concurred in

No. 454, A.,

A bill to appropriate to John M. Bowman, Wm. Vroman and T. Brown and others, a sum of money.

No. 389, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 303, of the general laws of 1873, entitled "an act to amend chapter 58, of the Revised Statutes, and the act amendatory thereto, entitled 'of weights and measures.'"

No. 241, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Yates V. Beebe a sum of money.

No. 206, A.,

A bill relating to attorneys and amendatory of chapter 189 of the laws of Wisconsin for 1861, entitled "an act relating to the admission of attorneys of courts of record."

No. 131, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Peter Feagan a sum of money therein named.

No. 385, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 449, of the private and local laws of 1869, entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Oconto, and acts amendatory thereof."

No. 349, A.,

A bill to define the duties of towns and town officers, in certain cases.

No. 348, A.,

A bill to provide for the organization of road districts.

No. 338, A.,

A bill to authorize the judge of the county court of Winnebago county to employ a short hand reporter.

No. 289, A.,

A bill relating to the duties of the city clerk and city treasurer of the city of Watertown in certain cases.

No. 256, A.,

A bill to discontinue a state road from Chippewa Falls, in Chippewa county, to Augusta in the town of Bridge Creek, in Eau Claire county.

No. 135, A.,

A bill to authorize the tender of judgments in justice courts in actions on contract or for involuntary trespass, after the commencement of the action.

Jt. Res., No. 31, A.,

Directing the Governor to place to the credit of his contingent fund certain moneys.

Jt. Res. No. 32, A.,

Directing the board of Centennial managers to pay over to the governor certain moneys.

Jt. Res. No. 33, A.,

Directing the secretary of state to transfer certain moneys to the general fund.

And has amended and concurred in as amended

No. 304, A.,

A bill relating to fire insurance companies doing business in the State of Wisconsin.

No. 208, A.,

A bill to prohibit the employment of children under twelve years of age in factories or other work shops in this state.

No. 170, A.,

A bill to authorize Duncan and Taylor to maintain dams upon Silver Creek and its tributaries in Taylor and Lincoln counties.

And has refused to concur in

No. 329, A.,

A bill to amend sub-section 4, of section 50, of chapter 19, of the Revised Statutes, relating to overseers of highways.

And has refused to concur in

No. 352, A.,

A bill relating to the election of county superintendent of schools.

No. 81, A.,

A bill relating to grading and turnpiking public highways in this state.

No. 65, A.,

A bill relating to the assessment of property for taxation and the levy of taxes thereon, and amendatory of section 33, of chapter 130, of the laws of 1868.

No. 10, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 314, of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act relating to trespassing on state lands and for the repeal of chapter 21, of the general laws of 1871, entitled 'an act to consolidate and amend the laws relating to trespassing on state lands.'"

No. 70, A.,

A bill relating to the liability of counties in certain cases, and amendatory of section one (1) of chapter 35, of the general laws of 1860, entitled an act to limit the liability of counties in certain cases.

No. 383, A.,

A bill relating to common schools and amendatory of chapter 315, of the general laws of 1875.

No. 455, A.,

A bill relating to the expenses of persons doing business for the state.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

On motion of Mr. W. E. Carter the rules were suspended requiring all the bills reported in the foregoing Senate message to be read a first and second times and referred to committees, and said bills placed on the file of "Senate message to be considered."

No. 208, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 152, general laws of 1872, entitled an act to authorize the county board of supervisors in the several counties in this state to levy a special tax for county road purposes, and to repeal chapter 229, laws of 1874.

No. 170, A.,

A bill to authorize Duncan and Taylor to maintain a dam upon Silver creek and tributaries in Taylor and Lincoln counties.

No. 304, A.

A bill relating to fire insurance companies doing business in the State of Wisconsin.

Senate amendments to each concurred in.

Jt. Res. No. 16, S.,

Relating to final adjournment.

Was, on motion of Mr. Cash, laid aside till 8:30 this evening.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on the Judiciary have had under consideration the following bill, and report the same back as follows :

No. 260, S.,

A bill to distribute more equally the burdens of taxation in certain counties in this state.

Without amendment, and passage recommended.

CARL C. POPE,
Chairman.

No. 260, S.,

Was laid on the table.

Mr. Burnett moved to take from the table

No. 101, S.

Mr. Keogh moved to adjourn.

Carried, and Assembly adjourned till 7:30 this p. m.

7:30 P. M.

Assembly met,

The Speaker in the chair.

The roll was called and the following members present.

Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Phincas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Burnett, Cash, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Doxtader, Dousman, Fink, W. J. Fisk, Field, Flinn Greening, Grover, Götze, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Linderman, Luchsinger, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Van Waters, Wall, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—74.

Absent on leave—Messrs. Arnot, Bailey, Brost, Dixon, H. J. Fisk, Fitzgerald, Flanders, Gray, Hammel, Knowlton, Marx, Pierce, Shepard, Vincent, Zieman—15.

Absent—Messrs. Arnold, B. F. Carter, Deland, Dorwin, Earnest, Hamilton, Lindsay, Maxwell, McCollum, Shufelt, Spence—10.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted to Mr. Nelson (after morning session, March 8,) indefinitely.

To Mr. Flanders, indefinitely.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Weeks:

Res. No. 52, A.,

Resolved, That all rules of the Assembly interfering with the consumption of tobacco and the comfort of the smoking members be suspended for this evening.

Adopted.

By Mr. Pope:

Res. No. 51, A.,

Resolved, That title to bill 338, A., be and is hereby amended so as to read:

A bill to authorize the judge of the county court of Winnebago county to employ a short-hand reporter.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills have had under consideration the following bills, and report the same correctly engrossed:

No. 412, A.,

A bill to legalize the organization of a free high school district in district No. 3, of the city of Eau Claire, and to legalize the levying of the tax for the support and maintenance of the free high school in said district.

No. 377, A.,

A bill authorizing the making and filing of proofs of tax sales in Fond du Lac county.

No. 376, A.,

A bill concerning garnishee proceedings, and to amend chapter 57 of the laws of 1875.

No. 317, A.,

A bill to codify all laws relating to the State Historical Society, and amendatory of chapter 81, of the Statutes of 1858, and all acts amendatory thereof.

No. 408, A.,

A bill to amend the charter of the Madison & Portage Railroad Company.

W. H. HERRON,
Chairman.

The Committee on Enrolled Bills have examined, and find correctly enrolled, the following bill:

No. 318, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 127 of the laws of 1874, entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Menasha," and as amended by chapter 343 of the laws of 1875.

JOHN J. SENN,
Chairman.

The Joint Committee on Claims, to whom was referred

No. 71, S.,

A bill relating to the establishment of free high schools, and amendatory of chapter 323, general laws of 1875.

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

SENATE BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

No. 53, S.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 329, general laws of 1876, entitled "an act to authorize the county of Burnett to build and maintain a free bridge across the St. Croix river, in township 38 north, range 20 east."

No. 229, S.,

A bill relating to evidence, and amendatory of section 2, of chapter 134, of the general laws of 1858.

No. 181, S.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 360, laws of Wisconsin, 1876, entitled "an act to prevent the hunting of deer with dogs."

No. 228, S.,

A bill to codify and amend the laws of this state relating to garnishees and garnishee proceedings.

Were each read a third time and concurred in.

No. 150, S.,

A bill to appropriate to Ira F. Kilmer a sum of money.

Was read a third time and concurred in by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dailey, Dousman, Fink, W. J. Fisk, Field, Flinn, Greening, Grover, Grover, Götze, Hull, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Truell, Vance, Van Waters, Wall, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wyatt, Mr. Speaker Cassody—61.

Noes—Messrs. Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Dorwin, Duxtader, Hubbard, Kinzie, Sarnow, Touhey, Wright—10.

No. 84, S.,

A bill to appropriate to A. C. Millard, H. B. Palmer and Henry C. Sibree, a sum of money therein named

Was read a third time and concurred in by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Phineas Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Cash, B. F. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Dorwin, Dousman, W. J. Fisk, Field, Flinn, Greening, Grover, Götze, Herron, Hull, Hyde, Innis, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Neuhauser, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Ringle, Roche, Senn, Scheuber, Tisch, Thornton, Truell, Vance, Van Waters, Wall, Wedig, Mr. Speaker Cassody—51.

Noes—Messrs. A. L. Baldwin, Bock, Brooks, Burnett, Duxtader, Fink, Hubbard, Hulburt, Johnson, Nelson, Newman, Owen, Ries, Sarnow, Seymour, Sylvester, Touhey, Wannemaker, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt—21.

No. 148, S.,

A bill relating to swamp lands in a certain locality and to repeal chapter 313, of the private and local laws of 1869, entitled "an act to authorize the use of money arising from the sale of certain swamp and overflowed lands in the county of Portage, for drainage purposes, and to amend chapter 537, of the laws of 1865, relating thereto;" and also to repeal chapter 105, of the private and local laws of 1875, entitled "an act to amend chapter 313, of the private and local laws of 1869."

Was read a third time and concurred in.

ASSEMBLY BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

No. 412, A.,

A bill to legalize the organization of a free high school district in district No. 3, of the city of Eau Claire, and to legalize the levying of the tax for the support and maintenance of the free high school in said district.

Was read a third time and passed.

No. 408, A.,

A bill to amend the charter of the Madison & Portage Railroad Company,

Was indefinitely postponed by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Burnett, W. E. Carter, Crockett, Dale, Dorwin, Dousman, Fink, W. J. Fisk, Greening, Grover, Götze, Herron, Hull, Hulburt, Innis, Johnston, Leavens, Lindsay, Merrill, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Ries, Ringle, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt—42.

Noes—Messrs. Arnold, Phineas Baldwin, Cash, B. F. Carter, Dailey, Duxtader, Earnest, Field, Flinn, Hubbard, Hyde, Johnson, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Linderman, Luchsinger, McCollum, McCarty, Mitchell, Pierce, Phillips, Pope, Rice, Roche, Scheuber, Shufelt, Stapleton, Touhey, Truell, Vance, Van Waters, Wall, Wannemaker, Wedig, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—38.

No. 317, A.,

A bill to repeal section 6, chapter 81, of the Revised Statutes, and chapter 149 of the laws of 1876.

Was read a third time and passed, by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Abell, Arnold, Phineas Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Burnett, Cash, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Dorwin, Duxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, Field, Flinn, Greening, Götze, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast,

Kelly, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Phillips, Pope, Ries, Ringle, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Scheuber, Stapleton, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Van Waters, Wannemaker, Wedig, Wright, Wyatt, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—69.

Noes—Mr. Anderson—1.

No. 377, A.,

A bill authorizing the making and filing of proofs of tax sales in Fond du Lac county.

Was read a third time and passed.

Title amended to read as follows:

"A bill authorizing the making and filing of affidavits, and proofs of the publication and posting of notices of sales and statements of the returned delinquent lands in the county of Fond du Lac, for unpaid taxes for the year 1869 to 1874."

No. 376, A.,

An act concerning garnishee proceedings, and to amend chapter 57 of the laws of 1875.

Was indefinitely postponed.

No. 71, S.,

A bill relating to the establishment and aid in the maintenance of free high schools, and amendatory of chapter 323, of the laws of 1875.

Amendments adopted.

Read a third time and passed by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Arnold, Phineas Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Cash, Carmichael, Crockett, Dailey, Dorwin, Doxtader, Earnest, W. J. Fisk, Flinn, Hubbard, Hull, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, McCarty, Merrill, Mohr, Ries, Roche, Scheuber, Stapleton, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Van Waters, Wall, Wannemaker, Wedig, Weeks, Wright. Mr. Speaker Cassoday—42.

Noes—Messrs. Anderson, Abell, A. L. Baldwin, Bock, Brooks, Burnett, B. F. Carter, W. E. Carter, Dale, H. J. Fisk, Field, Greening, Grover, Goetze, Herron, Hulburt, Johnston, Luchsinger, McCollum, Mitchell, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Owen, Pope, Ringle, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Shufelt, Sylvester, Vancoc, Wyatt—33.

No. 79, S.,

A bill relating to the compensation of clerks in circuit courts.

Rules suspended, and bill indefinitely postponed.

RESOLUTION CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 16, S.,

Relating to a final adjournment.

Being the special order, was taken up.

Mr. Leavens offered the following amendment:

Amend by inserting 12 o'clock m., March 8th, instead of 7th of March, 9 p. m.

Mr. W. E. Carter offered the following amendment to the amendment:

Strike out 12 o'clock, March 8th, and insert 10:30 a. m., March 8th.

Adopted, and amendment as amended, adopted, and resolution as amended, adopted.

On motion of Mr. Merrill,
The Assembly adjourned.

THURSDAY, MARCH 8, 1877.

9:00 A. M.

Assembly met,

The Speaker in the chair.

The roll was called, and the following members present:

Messrs. Anderson, Abell, Phineas Baldwin, A. L. Baldwin, Black, Blakeslee, Bock, Brooks, Burnett, Cash, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dale, Dailey, Doxtader, Dousman, Earnest, Fink, W. J. Fisk, H. J. Fisk, Field, Flanders, Flinn, Greening, Goetze, Hamilton, Hammel, Herron, Hubbard, Hull, Hulburt, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Pierce, Phillips, Ries, Rice, Ringle, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Shufelt, Stapleton, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Vincent, Van Waters, Wall, Wannemaker, Weeks, Wright, Wyatt, Zeiman, Mr. Speaker Cassoday—77.

Absent on Leave—Messrs. Arnot, Bailey, Brost, Dixon, Fitzgerald, Gray, Marx, Shepard, Walker—9.

Absent—Messrs. Arnold, B. F. Carter, Deland, Dorwin, Grover, Knowlton, Maxwell, Owen, Pope, Scheuber, Spence, Sylvester, Vance, Wedig—14.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs. Pope, A. L. Baldwin, Hyde, Stapleton, Scheuber, Rice, H. J. Fisk, indefinitely.

To Messrs. Flanders, Hulburt, Abell, Seymour, Doxtader, Greening, Mohr, Wyatt, Bock, (after morning session,) indefinitely.

To W. J. Fisk, (after 12 m.,) indefinitely.

To Messrs. Knowlton and Linderman, (after evening session,) indefinitely.

To Mr. Touhey, (after to-day,) indefinitely.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Shufelt:

Res. No. 00, A.

Resolved, That the Senate be requested] to return to this house Senate bill No. 61, for further action.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGE.

To the Honorable the Assembly:

The following entitled bills, memorials and joint resolutions, originating in the Assembly, have severally received the executive approval, and have been deposited in the office of the secretary of state:

No. 427, A.,

An act to amend sub-division 10, of section 11, of chapter 119, of the general laws of 1872, entitled "an act in relation to railroads, and the organization of railroad companies."

No. 18, A.,

An act to amend the city charter of the city of Fond du Lac, and to repeal sections 12 and 15 of chapter 5 of chapter 59 of the private and local laws of 1868, of chapter 474 of the private and local laws of 1871, and all acts amendatory thereof.

No. 379, A.,

An act to amend an act to incorporate the state firemen's association.

No. 388, A.,

An act to legalize the tax roll of the town of Marietta, in Crawford county.

No. 48, A.,

An act relating to fees of county judges, and to repeal chapter 123, of the laws of 1871, and amendatory of section 2, of chapter 121, of the laws of 1868.

No. 443, A.,

An act relating to the salary of county judges, and amendatory of section 3, of chapter 121, of the general laws of 1868, as amended by chapter 54, of the general laws of 1871.

No. 321, A.,

An act to change the time for holding the general terms of the circuit court in Walworth county.

No. 123, A.,

An act to incorporate the city of New London.

No. 250, A.,

An act relating to drainage in the city of Manitowoc, and amendatory of section 7, of chapter 228, of the laws of Wisconsin for 1875.

No. 269, A.,

An act to amend section 32, of chapter 130, of the general laws of 1868, entitled "an act to provide for the assessment of property for taxation and the levy of taxes thereon."

No. 195, A.,

An act relating to the organization of corporations for manufacturing and other purposes, and amendatory of section 12, of chapter 144, of the general laws of Wisconsin for 1872.

No. 457, A.,

An act to amend section 1, of chapter 67, of the laws of 1877, entitled "an act to amend section 2, of chapter 222, general laws of 1874, entitled 'an act to amend and revise the charter of the city of Wausau.'"

Jt. Res., No. 15, A.,

Joint Resolution asking Congress to make an appropriation to construct a lighthouse at the mouth of the harbor of Menominee.

M. C., No. 11, A.,

Memorial to Congress for mail service from Eau Claire to Rice Lake, in Barron County.

No. 158, A.,

An act for the preservation of fish in the waters of Rock river and Hustisford mill pond, in the counties of Dodge, Jefferson, and Rock.

No. 416, A.,

An act to authorize Chippewa county, in this state, to issue bonds for a certain purpose.

M. C. No. 9, A.,

Memorial to Congress to provide fish ways to the dams on Fox river.

M. C. No. 8, A.,

Memorial to Congress for the establishment of a mail route from Friendship, in the county of Adams, to Liberty Bluff, in the county of Marquette.

No. 384, A.,

An act relating to the preservation of game in the State of Wisconsin, and amendatory of chapter 329, of the laws of 1874.

No. 249, A.,

An act relating to the board of equalization of the city of Manitowoc, and amendatory of section 4, chapter 275, private and local laws of 1870, entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Manitowoc."

No. 150, A.,

An act to legalize the acts of the board of supervisors of the town of Star Prairie, in the county of St. Croix, Wisconsin, in building a bridge across Willow River, in section No. 36, of said town.

No. 333, A.,

An act to authorize the county board of supervisors of the county of Clark to levy and collect a tax for the purpose of building roads in Clark county, Wisconsin.

No. 139, A.,

An act to prevent certain officers and teachers from acting as agents in the sale of school books.

No. 169, A.,

An act in relation to exchange of laws, documents, and Supreme Court reports of this state.

No. 285, A.,

An act to amend section one, of chapter 299, of the laws of 1873, entitled "an act to amend chapter 56, general laws of 1870, entitled 'an act to provide for the incorporation and government of fire and inland navigation insurance companies.'"

No. 180, A.,

An act to appropriate a sum of money to the governor for the benefit of the state library, and to repeal chapter 321 general laws of 1864, and sections one and eight of chapter 26, of Revised Statutes.

No. 1, A.,

An act to authorize the town of Mukwa in the county of Wau-paca, to issue its corporate bonds in payment of the judgment against said town, in favor of George F. Hammond and Sophia C. Hammond.

No. 121, A.,

An act relating to the distraining of cattle doing damage, and amendatory of section 1, of chapter 51, of the Revised Statutes.

No. 37, A.,

An act relating to village cemeteries.

No. 172, A.,

An act to extend the benefits of the public schools of the State of Wisconsin.

No. 171, A.,

An act to amend chapter 164, of the laws of 1873, entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Fort Howard," approved March 14, 1873.

No. 446, A.,

An act to incorporate the city of Plymouth.

No. 417, A.,

An act relating to the Supreme Court, and amendatory of chapter 284 of the laws of 1876.

No. 226, A.,

An act in relation to the settlement of estates when the county judge is incapacitated, and to amend section 16, of chapter 117, of the Revised Statutes.

No. 431, A.,

An act to legalize certain acts of the board of supervisors of Manitowoc county, Wisconsin.

No. 262, A.,

An act to authorize the city of Racine to levy a special tax.

No. 440, A.,

An act relating to the bringing of actions for penalties, and appeals therein.

No. 155, A.,

An act relating to evidence.

No. 319, A.,

An act to authorize the commissioners of school and university lands to loan a portion of the trust funds of the state to the city of Neenah, Winnebago county.

No. 63, A.,

An act relating to attorneys' fees in justice's court, and amendatory of section 1 of chapter 96, of the laws of 1876.

No. 75, A.,

An act to repeal chapter 27, of the general laws of 1875, entitled "an act to amend chapter 423, private and local laws of 1871, entitled 'an act to authorize the county clerk of Door county to make and keep abstracts of tax sales, deeds, and redemptions in said county, and to revive said chapter 423.'"

No. 11, A.,

An act to legalize the tax roll of the town of Kinnikinnic, in St. Croix county.

No. 73, A.,

An act relating to the preservation of game, and amendatory of section 1, of chapter 121, of the laws of 1874.

No. 96, A.,

An act relating to the appointment of fire wardens in certain cases, and amendatory of chapter 27, of the general laws of this state for the year 1874.

No. 253, A.,

An act relating to costs and fees, and amendatory of sections 1 and 4, chapter 133, Revised Statutes, and the several acts amendatory thereof.

No. 413, A.,

An act relating to the catching of fish in the Pecatonica river and its tributaries, in Lafayette county.

No. 160, A.,

An act to amend section 1 of chapter 195 of the laws of 1874, entitled "an act to amend sections 1 and 3 of chapter 275 of the private and local laws of 1869, entitled 'an act for the preservation of fish in Big Green and Little Green lakes.'"

No. 444, A.,

An act relating to the preservation of fish in Sugar river.

No. 255, A.,

An act relating to actions and proceedings by non-resident guardians, and amendatory of section 1, of chapter 73, general laws of 1871.

No. 359, A.,

An act relating to the right of way of railroads, and amendatory of section 16, chapter 119, of the general laws of 1872.

No. 339, A.,

An act to facilitate the more perfect execution of trusts in certain cases.

No. 92, A.,

An act relating to foreclosure sales, and amendatory of section 2 of chapter 299, of the general laws of 1863.

M. C. No. 12, A.,

To Congress for a survey of Wolf river from Lake Poygan to the mouth of Red river.

No. 116, A.,

An act to amend chapter 72 of the private and local laws of 1870,

entitled an act to enable the city of Watertown to settle its railroad debt, approved February 17, 1870,

No. 178, A.,

An act to extend the time for the construction of the North Wisconsin Railway, and to waive the forfeiture therein referred to.

No. 190, A.,

An act relating to and amendatory of section 1, chapter 38, laws 1874, entitled "an act to ascertain annually the number of the principal farm products of the state."

No. 227, A.,

An act relating to costs and fees, and amending section 33 of chapter 133 of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of costs and fees."

No. 422, A.,

An act to amend chapter 47, of the general laws of 1871, entitled "an act to amend chapter 107, of the private and local laws of 1867, entitled 'an act to authorize the appointment of phonographic reporters for the circuit court of the counties of Milwaukee and Kenosha.'"

No. 291, A.,

An act to authorize the common council of the city of Watertown to levy a special tax for the purchase of fire engines, and engine house, and bridge building.

No. 312, A.,

An act to donate the cereals and other Centennial exhibits made by the state to the State Agricultural Society.

No. 373, A.,

An act to authorize the town of Menasha, in the county of Winnebago, to take up and liquidate its bonded indebtedness.

No. 375, A.,

An act to declare warehouse receipts negotiable.

No. 436, A.,

An act providing for the letting of the official printing of Milwaukee county.

No. 362, A.,

An act to fix the terms of the circuit court of Winnebago county,

No. 328, A.,

An act to amend section 100, of chapter 18, of the Revised Statutes, concerning the collection of delinquent personal property tax.

No. 298, A.,

An act to require Christian Burkhardt his heirs and assigns, to sluice logs through a certain dam on Willow river, now owned by him, and to authorize the collection of tolls for such sluicing.

No. 453, A.,

An act to provide for the appointment of five commissioners, who shall furnish to the next legislature certain information, and who shall report to said legislature a bill to re-district this state into judicial circuits, equalizing the labor of the judges thereof, and determining the salaries of said judges.

No. 441, A.,

An act to require service of notice of application for tax deeds in certain cases.

No. 265, A.,

An act to authorize James Hewitt to maintain a dam across Wedge's creek in Clark county, Wisconsin.

No. 151, A.,

An act in relation to the protection of insect-devouring birds, and amendatory of chapter 178, general laws of 1869.

No. 276, A.,

An act to provide for the purchase of 250 copies of Webster's unabridged dictionary.

No. 286, A.,

An act relating to the capital of fire and inland navigation insurance companies of other states and of foreign governments, desiring to transact business in this state.

No. 231, A.,

An act to amend chapter 364 of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act in relation to sheriff's fees."

HARRISON LUDINGTON,
Governor.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Kelly :

Resolved, That the thanks of this Assembly are due, and are hereby tendered, to the Hon. J. B. Cassoday, speaker, for the prompt, energetic and efficient manner in which he has discharged his official duties the present session.

Adopted.

By Mr. Kelly :

Resolved, That the thanks of this Assembly are due, and are hereby tendered, to the chief clerk, W. A. Nowell, Esq., and his assistants, for the uniform courtesy displayed by them, and the creditable and satisfactory manner in which they have discharged their respective duties.

Adopted.

By Mr. Kelly :

Resolved, That the thanks of this Assembly are due, and are hereby tendered to T. B. Reid, sergeant-at-arms of the Assembly, and his assistants, for the courteous and efficient manner in which they have discharged the duties of their respective positions.

Adopted.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By A. J. TURNER, Chief Clerk thereof :

Mr. SPEAKER:—I am directed to inform you that the Senate has adopted, and asks the concurrence of the Assembly in,

Jt. Res. No. 17, S.,
Instructing superintendent of public property to sell stationery to employes.

And has refused to concur in

No. 412, A.,

A bill to legalize the organization of a free high school district in district No. 3, of the city of Eau Claire, and to legalize the levying of the tax for the support and maintenance of the free high school in said district.

And has concurred in

No. 377, A.,

A bill authorizing the making and filing of proofs of tax sales in Fond du Lac county.

And Assembly amendments to

Jt. Res. No. 16, S.,

Relating to final adjournment.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 7, S.,

Resolved by the Senate, the Assembly concurring, That the superintendent of public property be and is hereby instructed to sell to each of the employes of this legislature, stationery to the amount of \$5.00 at the cost price paid by the state.

Read and concurred in.

On motion of Mr. W. J. Fisk,

The Assembly took a recess for 15 minutes.

Mr. Bock moved to reconsider the vote by which No. 79, S., was yesterday indefinitely postponed.

Which was lost by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Phineas Baldwin, Black, Bock, Brooks, Cash, Dale, Dailey, Earnest, Field, Innis, Kelley, Lindsay, Linderman, Luchsinger, Merrill, Phillips, Roche, Truell, Wedig,—20.

Noes—Messrs. Abell, Blakeslee, Burnett, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dextader, Dousman, Fink, W. J. Fisk, Flanders, Flinn, Greening, Goetze, Hamilton, Herron, Hubbard, Hulburt, Hyde, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, McCollum, McCarty, Mohr, Nelson, Neuhauser, Newman, Pierce, Ries, Ringle, Sarnow, Senn, Seymour, Sylvester, Tisch, Thornton, Touhey, Wall, Wannemaker, Wright, Wyatt, Mr. Speaker Cassoday

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REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Enrolled Bills have examined and found correctly enrolled the following bills :

No. 210, A.,

A bill to guard against the abuse of the elective franchise, and to preserve the purity of elections by regulating the appointment of inspectors of elections, and requiring a registration of electors in certain cases, and to repeal chapter 445, of the laws of 1864, chapter 296, of the laws of 1865, chapter 126, of the laws of 1866, chapter 134, of the laws of 1871, chapter 132, of the laws of 1875, chapter 302, of the laws of 1876, and amendatory of certain city and village charters therein referred to.

No. 322, A.,

A bill relating to the size of the mesh used in trap or pound nets.

No. 324, A.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 227 of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act to provide for the recording of the lands of the Wisconsin Railroad Farm Mortgage Land Company in the register's office of the several counties in which such lands are situated."

No. 337, A.,

A bill to regulate fees in settlement of particular estates in the county court for Milwaukee county, in probate.

No. 366, A.,

A bill relating to a dam across Little Wolf river, in Waupaca county, Wisconsin, and amendatory of section 4 of chapter 159 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1873.

No. 370, A.,

A bill relating to a dam on Little Wolf river in Waupaca county, and amendatory of section 4, chapter 169, of laws of Wisconsin for 1875.

No. 378, A.,

A bill to amend section 41, of chapter 1, of chapter 148, of the general laws of the year 1873, entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Boscobel," as amended by section 2, of chapter 84, of the general laws of Wisconsin for the year 1875.

No. 391, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 313 of the private and local laws of 1869, entitled "an act to authorize the use of moneys arising from the sale of certain swamp and overflowed lands in the county of Portage, for drainage purposes, and to amend chapter 537, of the laws of 1865, relating thereto, and all acts amendatory thereof."

No. 439, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Henry Fink a sum of money therein named.

No. 186, A.,

A bill relating to iron ore and to the assessment for taxation of lands containing such ore.

No. 192, A.,

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No. 114, A.,

A bill relating to public printing, and amendatory of section 16, of chapter 243, of the laws of 1874.

No. 32, A.

A bill to regulate the practice in certain cases.

No. 5, A.,

A bill to amend section 44 of chapter 165, of the Revised Statutes, entitled "of offenses against property, and the act amendatory thereof."

JOHN J. SENN,
Chairman.

Mr. Hamilton was called to the chair by the Speaker.

On motion of Mr. W. J. Fisk, the chair announced the following Select Committee to wait upon the Speaker and invite him into the Assembly chamber: Messrs. W. J. Fisk, Merrill, and Earnest.

The committee performed the duty assigned to them, and upon motion of Mr. Earnest,

The Assembly took a recess for fifteen minutes.

Mr. Hubbard made the following presentation speech:

MR. SPEAKER CASSODAY:—Having filled the highest position in this House by the unanimous voice of the republican members, and having discharged the arduous, laborious, and at times delicate duties pertaining to that office with as universal satisfaction as any gentleman that would have been selected, nothing, in our judgment, would be more appropriate than to present a memento of our respect and esteem of you as a presiding officer, and more especially our great respect towards you as a conscientious and Christian gentleman. I come not in warrior's armor, bearing tidings of victory, but, in behalf of the members of this Assembly,

without distinction of party, permit me to present you a slight token of our conviction of your conscientious discharge of your duties while presiding over our deliberations. While at times we have considered your rulings in direct opposition of our understanding of parliamentary laws, I feel assured this body of representative men will concede to you a careful consideration and an honest discharge of your duty. In after life, whether at the forum or on the rostrum, pleading eloquently for some felon at the bar, or around the quiet of your own fireside, may you look back to the Assembly of 1877, as a green oasis in your life. If the Divine Ruler of the universe, in His infinite wisdom, should cause you to repent and turn from your political idols, the democratic party will receive you on probation; and, should you prove steadfast and faithful, place you on the highest round of the ladder of fame. Accept these at our hands, and far above, and greater than all these, accept our best wishes for your prosperity and happiness. May your days be prolonged far beyond the time allotted to man, and may your last days be as happy as those spent in that chair have been laborious and difficult.

Speaker Cassoday replied as follows:

MR. HUBBARD AND FELLOW MEMBERS OF THE ASSEMBLY:—It is said that one of the characteristics of a true and manly heart, is to gather new strength and courage, as trials and dangers approach and responsibilities increase. It is sometimes true that the bravest heart is most easily subdued and softened, by kind words, generous treatment, and lavish commendation. I confess to this weakness, if weakness it is. For this rich token of your friendship and regard, I can but return a heart full of gratitude and thankfulness; and can only regret that I am not more worthy to be the recipient of such a gift, from such a high and honored source. You may rest assured that this expression of your confidence and respect will be sincerely cherished and fondly remembered by me and mine as long as life shall last.

I will reserve what I may say with more propriety at the time of our final adjournment.

Again, I thank you for this expression of friendship.

On motion of Mr. Dousman, the chair announced the following Select Committee to await upon Mr. W. A. Nowell, Chief Clerk of the Assembly, and invite him into the Assembly chamber:

Messrs. Dousman, Flanders and Keogh.

The Committee performed the duty assigned them, and Mr. Flanders made the following presentation speech:

MR. SPEAKER:—I have been honored by an invitation to present to Mr. Nowell, our Chief Clerk, this beautiful silver, in behalf of his assistants and the members of this house. You have, Mr. Clerk, by your uniform and unvarying courtesy, made a friend of every one who has come in contact with you, and I am sure that I can give but faint expression to the friendly regard felt for you. Many within the sound of my voice have known former occupants of the position you hold, but I undertake to say that none who have filled it heretofore have had more varied qualifications than yourself.

We have seen you, in the lighter moments of your official life, draw pictures of grave and reverend members as they rose in their places to address the Assembly, and hand those friendly caricatures down to excite the irreverent laughter of an unsympathetic lobby. From this we know that you are an artist. The public prints of Madison which have from time to time sparkled with your machine-made poetry, attest the fact that you are supplied with the divine afflatus of a true poet. The fact that many members of the Assembly waited over Sunday in anticipation of an address by you to a Sunday school, (which unfortunately they were not permitted to hear), is evidence in what high regard they held the counsel and advice falling from your lips upon religious and moral subjects. What other inducement could have detained the members from the bosom of their families and the tender embraces of little children?

Turning, however, from the pleasantries in which your good nature will permit us to indulge at your expense, I can truthfully say you have drawn us all to you by your manner of performing your official duties.

An old legend of Germany relates the fact that a prince brought to his betrothed, as a wedding gift, an iron egg. The lady tossed it from her, and as it rolled along the floor a spring was touched, which disclosed within, a silver egg, and as that rolled along another spring disclosed a golden egg, and still another revealed within the golden egg a golden circlet clasped by a rare diamond which was the wedding gift of the prince to his bride. So we called you, at the commencement of the session, to the difficult and arduous duties of your position. Hard and unpleasant as they sometimes were, your courteous performance of them has stripped the rough covering and disclosed this silver gift from your assistants and friends in this house. Underneath and within the silver is hidden the respect and esteem of those for whom I speak, which will surround you as the lady's wedding ring encircled her finger, as long as you live, and which guerdon of friendship is clasped by a diamond of the purest water—the warm and hearty friendship of all who unite in this gift to you.

Mr. Nowell responded as follows:

GENTLEMEN OF THE ASSEMBLY:—I cannot find words to express my appreciation of your kindness. It will add to my household treasures a symbol of your friendship and a memento of the pleasant days we have passed here together. I shall never look at it without recalling the familiar faces of this Assembly, from the merry twinkling eyes of McCollum, on my right in the semi-circle, to the silvery laugh of Cash on my left.

I shall take great pleasure in having each and every one of you, when you visit Milwaukee, partake of the hospitality of my home from these utensils.

Coming here with a consciousness of inexperience in the duties to which you called me, I am indebted to you for kind indulgence and encouragement in the performance of my labors. For this, and for every evidence of your unvarying friendship, accept my warmest thanks.

On motion of Mr. W. J. Fisk,
The Assembly took a recess till 2:30 P. M.

2:30 P. M.

Assembly met,
Quorum present.

RESOLUTION INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Cassoday :

Jt. Res. No. 41, A.,

Resolved by the Assembly, the Senate concurring, That so much of Jt. Res. No. 16, as fixes the hour of 11 o'clock A. M. March 9, 1877, for final adjournment, be and the same is hereby rescinded, and that the legislature will adjourn without day, at 9 o'clock this evening, March 8, 1877.

Adopted.

By Mr. Hyde :

Resolved, That the thanks of the Assembly are due, and are hereby tendered the several newspaper reporters of the present session, for their constant attendance and correct reports of the proceedings of the Assembly.

Adopted.

On motion of Mr. McCollum,
The Assembly adjourned till 4:30 p. m.

4:30 P. M.

Assembly met,
Mr. Hubbard was called to the chair by the Speaker.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Enrolled Bills have examined and found correctly enrolled the following bills and joint resolutions :

Jt. Res. No. 31, A.,

Directing the governor to place to the credit of his contingent fund, certain moneys.

Jt. Res. No. 32, A.,

Directing the board of Centennial Managers to pay over to the governor certain moneys.

Jt. Res. No. 33, A.,

Directing the secretary of state to transfer certain moneys to the general fund.

No. 2, A.,

A bill relating to hawkers and peddlers, and amendatory of chapter 72, of the laws of 1870, as amended by chapter 395, of the laws of 1876.

No. 99, A.,

A bill to provide for the establishment of a hospital and school for imbecile, idiotic or feeble-minded children.

No. 112, A.,

A bill to provide for the purchase of paper required for public printing and blank books, amendatory of section 1 of chapter 230 of the laws of 1874.

No. 131, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Peter Feagan a sum of money therein named,

No. 135, A.,

A bill to authorize the tender of judgment in justices' courts, in actions on contract, or for involuntary trespass after the commencement of the action.

No. 206, A.,

A bill relating to attorneys, and amendatory of chapter 189, of the laws of Wisconsin for 1861, entitled "an act relating to the admission of attorneys of courts of record."

No. 208, A.,

A bill to prohibit the employment of children under twelve years of age, in factories or other workshops in this state.

No. 241, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Yates V. Beebe a sum of money.

No. 256, A.,

A bill to discontinue a state road from Chippewa Falls, in Chippewa county, to Augusta, in the town of Bridge Creek, in Eau Claire county.

No. 136, A.,

A bill relating to the invention and successful use of steam and other mechanical agents on highways, and amendatory of chapter 134 of the laws of 1875, as amended by chapter 182 of the laws of 1876.

No. 278, A.,

A bill relating to swamp and overflowed lands in the counties of Manitowoc and Calumet, and amendatory of chapter 341 of the private and local laws of 1867, and chapter 201 of the laws of 1873, and chapter 537 of the laws of 1865, and chapter 327 of the laws of 1874, for draining and other purposes.

No. 100, A.,

A bill to amend section 9, of chapter 3, of chapter 184, of the laws of 1874, entitled "an act to consolidate, revise and amend the charter of the city of Milwaukee, approved February 20, 1852, and the several acts amendatory thereof."

No. 389, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 303, of the general laws of 1873, entitled "an act to amend chapter 58, of the Revised Statutes, and the act amendatory thereto, entitled 'of weights and measures.'"

No. 338, A.,

A bill to authorize the judge of the county court of Winnebago county to employ a short hand reporter.

No. 454, A.,

A bill to appropriate to John M. Bowman, Wm. Vroman, and T. Brown a sum of money.

No. 261, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 278, laws of 1874, entitled an act to incorporate the city of Shawano.

No. 385, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 449 of the private and local laws of 1869, entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Oconto," and acts amendatory thereof.

No. 341, A.,

A bill relating to the revision of the Statutes, and amendatory of chapter 203, of the laws of 1875.

No. 349, A.,

A bill to define the duties of towns and town officers in certain cases.

No. 377, A.,

A bill authorizing the making and filing of affidavits and proofs of the publication, and posting of notices of sales and statements of the returned delinquent lands, in the county of Fond du Lac, for unpaid taxes for the year 1869 and 1874.

No. 304, A.,

A bill relating to fire insurance companies doing business in the State of Wisconsin.

No. 334, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 311, private and local laws of the year 1867, entitled "an act to incorporate the Pete-en-Well bridge company," and also to authorize certain towns to grant aid therefor.

No. 300, A.,

A bill declaring certain portions of Spring street road in the town of Wauwatosa, a county highway, and providing for the improvement thereof.

No. 425, A.,

A bill to authorize the county board of supervisors of the county of Adams to sell and dispose of all the lands owned by said county for the purposes therein set forth.

No. 289, A.,

A bill relating to the duties of the city clerk and city treasurer of the city of Watertown in certain cases.

No. 340, A.,

A bill in relation to the release of dower in real estate by insane persons.

No. 348, A.,

A bill to provide for the organization of road districts.

No. 357, A.,

A bill relating to the protection of the capitol and the capitol park, in the city of Madison, and amendatory of section 3 of chapter 117 of the laws of 1870.

J. J. SENN,
Chairman.

On motion, the Assembly adjourned until 7:30 P. M.

7:30 P. M.

Assembly met.

The Speaker in the chair.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Phineas Baldwin, Blakeslee, Brooks, Burnett, Cash, W. E. Carter, Carmichael, Crockett, Dailey, Deland, Dousman, Fink, Field, Flanders, Flinn, Hamilton, Herron, Hubbard, Hyde, Innis, Johnson, Johnston, Kast, Kelly, Keogh, Kinzie, Knapp, Leavens, Lindsay, Linderman, Lucshinger, McCollum, McCarty, Merrill, Mitchell, Mohr, Neuhauser, Newman, Ries, Roche, Sarnow, Senn, Shufelt, Stapleton, Sylvester, Thornton, Touhey, Truell, Van Waters, Wall, Wannemaker, Weeks, Wright, Mr. Speaker Cassoday.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Hubbard:

Jt. Res. No. 42, A.,

Resolved, by the Assembly, the Senate concurring, That a Joint Committee consisting of two from the Senate and three from the Assembly be appointed to wait upon His Excellency, the governor, for the purpose of informing him that the legislature has completed all business before it, and awaits his pleasure.

Adopted.

The Speaker appointed as such committee the following:

Messrs. Hubbard, Ries and Leavens.

Mr. Fink was called to the chair by the Speaker.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By A. J. TURNER, Chief Clerk thereof:

Mr. SPEAKER:—I am directed to inform you that the Senate has concurred in

Jt. Res. No. 41, A.,

Relating to final adjournment.

No. 42, A.,

Appointing a committee to wait on His Excellency the Governor with certain information.

And has appointed Senators Richardson and Bones as such committee on the part of the Senate.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGE.

To the Honorable, the Assembly:

The following entitled bills originating in the Assembly have severally received executive approval and have been deposited in the office of the secretary of state:

No. 318, A.,

An act to amend chapter 127, laws of 1874, entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Menasha," and as amended by chapter 343, of the laws of 1875.

No. 438, A.,

An act to appropriate to Peter Salentine a sum of money therein named.

No. 337, A.,

An act to regulate fees in settlement of particular estates in the county court for Milwaukee county, in probate.

No. 324, A.,

An act to amend section 1 of chapter 227, of the laws of 1876 entitled an act to provide for the recording of the lands of the Wisconsin Railroad Farm Mortgage Land Company in the register's office of the several counties in which such lands are situated.

No. 452, A.,

An act to revise, consolidate and amend the charter of the city of Stevens Point, approved May 17, 1858, and the several acts amendatory thereof.

No. 366, A.,

An act relating to a dam across Little Wolf river, in Waupaca county, Wisconsin, and amendatory of section 4, of chapter 159, of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1873.

No. 370, A.,

An act relating to a dam on Little Wolf river, in Waupaca county, and amendatory of section 4 of chapter 169 of laws of Wisconsin for 1875.

No. 378, A.,

An act to amend section 41, of of chapter 148, of the general laws of Wisconsin for 1873, entitled "an act to incorporate the city of

Boscobel, as amended by section 2, of chapter 84, of the general laws of Wisconsin for the year 1875.

No. 115, A.,

An act to authorize Albert M. Woodbury to build and maintain a pontoon bridge across the Wisconsin river, from some point in the northwest quarter of section 19, township 8 north, of range 3 east, in Iowa county, Wisconsin, to some point in section 12, in township 9 north, of range 3 east, in Sauk county, Wisconsin.

No. 391, A.,

An act to repeal chapter 313 of the private and local laws of 1869, entitled "an act to authorize the use of the moneys arising from the sale of certain swamp and overflowed lands in the county of Portage for drainage purposes, and to amend chapter 537, of the laws of 1865, relating thereto, and all acts amendatory thereof."

No. 439, A.,

An act to appropriate to Henry Fink a sum of money therein named.

No. 210, A.,

An act to guard against the abuse of the elective franchise, and to preserve the purity of elections by regulating the appointment of inspectors of elections, and requiring a registration of electors in certain cases, and to repeal chapter 445, of the laws of 1864, chapter 296, of the laws of 1865, chapter 126, of the laws of 1866, chapter 134, of the laws of 1871, chapter 232, of the laws of 1875, chapter 302, of the laws of 1876, and amendatory of certain city and village charters therein referred to.

No. 322, A.,

An act relating to the size of the mesh used in trap or pound nets.

No. 14, A.,

An act to amend sections 2, 8 and 10 of chapter 344, of the general laws of 1876, entitled "an act to codify and consolidate all laws in relation to town insurance companies."

No. 177, A.,

An act to improve the Cunningham Creek, in Clark county, Wisconsin, and to grant to Chauncey Blakeslee, his heirs or assigns, certain powers and privileges therein named.

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HARRISON LUDINGTON,
Governor.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE.

The Joint Committee appointed to confer with His Excellency, the governor, makes the following report:

The Joint Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency, the governor, to inquire if he had any further communications to make to the legislature, would respectfully report that they have discharged the duty imposed upon them, and the governor informs them that he has no further communications to make.

H. RICHARDSON,

THOS. A. BONES,

On part of the Senate.

S. D. HUBBARD,

FLORIAN J. RIES,

H. P. LEAVENS.

On part of the Assembly.

FINAL ADJOURNMENT.

The hour for final adjournment having arrived, the Speaker made the following closing remarks:

FELLOW MEMBERS AND OFFICERS OF THE ASSEMBLY:—The time fixed for the termination of this session of the legislature has arrived.

The record of our co-operative labors as a body has been made up, not only here, but in that imperishable volume, the contents of which are always open to the most searching scrutiny.

When I was called to the chair, eight weeks ago, I assumed "that every member of this body came here charged with the double purpose of lessening the burdens, advancing the interests, guarding the honor, and promoting the prosperity, not only of his immediate constituents, but of the people of the whole state, and of every interest in the state." To-day I testify to the people of

Wisconsin, that you have executed that purpose with a fidelity rarely witnessed in the history of legislation. As to my own success, I was less certain, and therefore more anxious. I had read that elegant description of a good presiding officer by Lord Stowell, in his speech nominating Mr. Abbott for a re-election to the speakership of the House of Commons, when he said: "To an enlargement of mind, capable of embracing the most comprehensive subjects, must be added the faculty of descending with precision to the most minute; to a tenacious respect for forms, a liberal regard for principles; to habits of laborious research, powers of prompt and instant decision; to a jealous affection for the privileges of the house, an awful sense of its duties; to a firmness that can resist solicitation, a suavity of nature that can receive it without impatience; and to a dignity of public demeanor, suited to the quality of great affairs, and commanding the respect that is requisite for conducting them, an urbanity of private manners that can soften the asperities of business, and adorn an office of severe labor with the conciliatory eloquence of a station of ease." I had also read that glowing description of Mr. Sergeant Glenville, in his speech to the king, on being presented as speaker, where he said that the house of commons had "met together and chosen a speaker; one of themselves, to be the mouth, indeed the servant, of all the rest; to steer watchfully and prudently, in all their weighty consultations and debates; to collect, faithfully and readily, the generous sense of a numerous assembly; to propound the same reasonably, and to mould it into apt questions, for final resolutions; and so represent them and their conclusions, their declarations and petitions, upon all urgent occasions, with truth, with right, with life, with lustre, and with full advantage, to his most excellent majesty"—the king.

With this grand conception of the requisite qualities of a good presiding officer, with but little experience and that forgotten, with one of the most intelligent, laborious and cultivated bodies of men to preside over that ever assembled in this capitol, you can imagine something of that sense of responsibility which has rested upon me.

In attempting, in my humble way, to approach a little nearer from the distance toward that grand ideal by the path marked out by the rules and law governing this body, I am ready to assume that I have at times seemed harsh, abrupt, and severe, and to the more experienced, awkward and ungraceful, but whatever may have been the tone or the manner, you may rest assured, that no thought or feeling of a personal character has been entertained for a single moment, but on the contrary I have from the first cherished the kindest feeling for every member, every officer, and every person connected with this body, and the only motives which have controlled my actions, were to act fairly, truthfully, independently, firmly, kindly, generously, and without regard to any sympathy, friendship, enmity or choice which I may have had as to the merits of the question under consideration, or any person

affected by, or interested in the whole, except so far as might be necessary to cast my own vote on the side of my convictions.

To your constant patience, your kind consideration, your generous sympathy, your respectful conduct, and your ready acquiescence in suggestions from the chair, which have so always turned out to be the wisest or the best, I am much indebted. For your magnificent demonstration of respect, confidence and friendship, I have already thanked you, and will only add that it has excited in me a mingled feeling of humility and gratitude; knowing that it would be impossible that I making mistakes, I determined in advance to be vigilant in discovering and promptly correcting them, when made, and this has more than once been my pleasure, as well as my duty, even when the mistake might otherwise have passed unnoticed. To this end I invited fair criticism from the first, and have frequently been aided by kind suggestions and generous counsel, which have more than once stimulated me to new efforts for improvement.

When we met here on the 19th day of January we were mostly strangers. We separate to-night, not only as acquaintances, but as personal friends.

And now in this final act of parting, allow me to say to each of the honorable members of this assembly, to our able clerk and his assistants; to our efficient sergeant-at-arms and postmaster, and each of the persons under them; to each of the messenger boys who have done their full share in making up the record; and to the gentlemanly reporters who have attended our sessions, that as you severally go to your respective homes you will each carry with you the tender regard, the true friendship, the best wishes and the highest hopes of him who addresses you, for the future happiness and prosperity of you and yours; and I assure each one of you, that you will always be a welcome guest in that humble cottage where dwell those whom I love to think of as mine.

I now declare the assembly adjourned without day.

ERRATA.

- Page 145 — "No. 38, A.," should read "38, S."
 163 — "No. 35, S.," should read "315, A."
 195 — "No. 24, A.," should read "Jt. Res. No. 24, A."
 200 — "No. 150, A.," should read "156, A."
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 237 — "Res. No. 28, A.," should read "Res. No. 38, A."
 243 — "No. 77, S.," second line from the bottom, should read "75, S."
 263 — "No. 15, A.," and "No. 20, A.," should read "Jt. Res. No. 15, A.," and "Jt. Res. No. 20, A."
 268 — "No. 7, A.," should read "M. C. No. 7, A."
 287 — After 12th line from top, insert "No. 453, A."
 289 — "No. 221, A.," should read "No. 121, A."
 297 — The word "colleges" in the title to 222, A., should read "villages."
 303 — The word "pensions" in the title to No. 197, A., should read "prisons."
 307 — In No. 222, A., read "villages" instead of "colleges."
 343 — "No. 195, A.," should read "No. 105, A."
 363 — In the communication of the state treasurer, "Jt. Res. No. 29, A.," should read "Jt. Res. No. 24, A."
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- 261, A. To amend chapter 278, laws of 1874, entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Shawano," 134 435 494 507 571 590 637 664 669.
- 278, A. Chapter 327 of laws of 1874, 136 304 348 357 417 426 637 628 663 669.
- 318, A. Relating to the charter of the city of Menasha, and amendatory of chapter 127, laws of 1874, and chapter 343, laws of 1875, 163 492 494 507 543 550 629 645 666.
- 384, A. To amend section 2 of chapter 329 of the laws of 1874, entitled "an act for the preservation of game in the state of Wisconsin," 183 314 385 387 433 (title amended) 449 587 597 652.
- 412, A. Relating to and amendatory of chapter 183, private and local laws of the year 1874, entitled "an act relating to the police court of the city of Eau Claire," 186 628 632 645 647 657.
- 434, A. To amend section 2 of chapter 222, general laws of 1874, entitled "an act to amend, aid and revise the charter of the city of Wausau," 189 269 270 366 431 556 565.
- 457, A. Section 1, chapter 222, general laws of 1874, relating to the charter of the city of Wausau, 565 587 598 652.
- 67, S. To amend section 6 of chapter 165 of the laws of 1874, entitled "an act to secure the safe navigation of the Wisconsin river," 353 355 455 495 509 523.
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- 176, A. Relating to the fencing of railroads, and constructing farm crossings and farm cattle guards, and amendatory of sections 1 and 2 of chapter 248 of the general laws of 1875, 99.
- 250, A. Relating to drainage in the city of Manitowoc, and amendatory of section 7 of chapter 228 of the laws of Wisconsin for 1875, 133 294 340 353 400 409 433 449 559 596 651.
- 272, A. To amend chapter 59 of the laws of 1875, entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Manitowoc," 136 434 619.
- 318, A. Chapter 343, laws of 1875, relating to charter of city of Menasha, 163 492 494 507 543 550 629 645 666.
- 341, A. Relating to the revision of the statutes, and amendatory of chapter 203 of the laws of 1875, 166 583 590 629 630 664 668.
- 364, A. Relating to dams across Little Wolf river, and amendatory of section 1 of chapter 296 of the laws for 1875, 168.

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- 376, A. Concerning garnishee proceedings, and to amend chapter 57 of laws of 1875, 170 612 633 645 648.
- 383, A. To amend chapter 315, general laws of 1875, entitled "an act to provide for uniformity and the free use of text books in towns and cities," 183 253 393 395 446 531 532 643.
- 23, S. To amend chapter 139 of the general laws of 1875, entitled "an act to amend section 3 of chapter 78 of the general laws of 1867, entitled 'an act for the preservation of game,'" 457 458 539 549 599.
- 71, S. Relating to the establishment and aid in the maintenance of free high schools, and amendatory of chapter 323 of the general laws of 1875, 525 614 619 640 646 648.
- 103, S. To amend an act entitled "an act to amend and consolidate chapter 49 of the private and local laws of 1875, entitled 'an act to incorporate the village of Madison into a separate school district,'" 381 395 434 496 509 523.
- 149, S. To amend section 2 of chapter 192 of the laws of Wisconsin of 1875, entitled "an act to authorize William Dunlap to keep and maintain a ferry across Lake Pepin, from the village of Stockholm, Wisconsin, to Lake City, Minnesota," 301 302.
- 168, S. To amend an act entitled "an act to amend chapter 262 of the laws of 1875," and to amend an act entitled "an act to revise, consolidate and amend an act to incorporate the city of Gren Bay, and the several acts amendatory thereof," approved March 8, 1875, 353 355 492 494 503 527 547.

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- No. 2, A. Relating to hawkers and peddlers, and amendatory of section 3 of chapter 395, laws of 1876, 20 30 39 120 197 235 375 383 430 453 485 637 638 663 669.
- 10, A. To amend chapter 314 of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act relating to trespassing on state lands," and for the repeal of chapter 21 of the general laws of 1871, entitled "an act to consolidate and amend the laws relating to trespassing on state lands," 21 415 442 517 550 563 607 614 643.
- 14, A. To amend section 2 of chapter 344 of the general laws of 1876, entitled "an act to codify and consolidate all laws in relation to town insurance companies," 24 66 332 371 373 435 448 456 515 530 536 597 606 613 625 629 667.
- 20, A. To amend sections 1 and 3 of chapter 395 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1876, an act entitled "an act relating to hawkers and peddlers, and amendatory of chapter 72 of the laws of 1870, 25 39 120 197 235 383.
- 34, A. For an act entitled an act to amend chapter 20 of general laws of 1876, relating to judges of courts of record, 29 67 70 90.
- 35, A. Relating to the apportionment of the state into senate and assembly districts, and amendatory of chapter 343 of the general laws of 1876, 29 66 69 71 104 117 243 252 476.
- 63, A. Relating to attorneys' fees in justice courts, and amendatory of section 1 of chapter 96 of the laws of 1876, 41 82 119 143 314 386 408 434 450 559 595 654.
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- 91, A. To amend chapter 67 of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act to authorize the taking of fish in the public waters of this state for the purpose of artificial propagation," 51 145 203 211 251 263 365 401 556.
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- 120, A. Relating to the powers and duties of fish commissioners, and amendatory of sections 4 and 7 of chapter 307 of the general laws of 1876, 59 181 221 239 245 366 404 478.
- 127, A. To change the time for holding elections in the city of Eau Claire, and relating to and amendatory of section 1 of chapter 378, of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act to amend chapter 16, private and local laws of 1872, entitled 'an act to incorporate the city of Eau Claire,' " 59 117 172 476.
- 137, A. To repeal chapter 395 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1876, an act entitled "an act relating to hawkers and peddlers, and amendatory of chapter 72 of the laws of 1870," 64 181 221 230.
- 142 To amend chapter 220 of the laws of Wisconsin, approved March 9, 1876, entitled "an act to improve the south branch of the Eau Claire river and its tributaries, in Clark county," 65 196 231 233 246 382 416 478.
- 144, A. To amend chapter 219 of the laws of Wisconsin, approved March 9, 1876, entitled "an act to improve the north branch of Eau Claire river, in the county of Clark," 65 196 231 233 246 382 419 478.
- 145, A. Relating to and amendatory of sections number 8 and 10 of chapter 344 of the laws of 1876, relating to town insurance companies, 65 594 632.
- 157, A. Relating to laying out building lots in villages and cities, and amendatory of chapter 33 of the laws of 1876, 80 239 341 358.
- 179, A. Relating to the improvement of certain portions of the Embarras river, and amendatory of chapter 249 of the laws of 1876, 100 241 295 305 334 355 619 629.
- 225, A. Relating to the bringing of actions against the city of Fond du Lac, and to amend section 42 of chapter 102 of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act to amend chapter 59, private and local laws of 1868, entitled 'an act to incorporate the city of Fond du Lac,' " 113 317 369 483 543 616.
- 239, A. Relating to town insurance companies, and amendatory of section 10, chapter 344, of laws of 1876, "an act to codify and consolidate all laws in relation to town insurance companies," 132 594 632.
- 263, A. Relating to and amendatory of chapter 313 of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act to revise, consolidate and amend the charter of the city of Racine," approved August 8, 1848, and the several acts amendatory thereof, 135 434 496 509.
- 268, A. To amend section 8 of chapter 345 of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act to codify and consolidate the laws relating to pay and mileage of members, pay of employes, and providing for newspapers, postage stamps, stationery and opening of legislature, 135 331 370 374 383.
- 273, A. To amend section 1 of chapter 253, of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act to provide for the support of the poor of Milwaukee county," 136 316 319 394 480 503 556.

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- 327, A. To amend section 1 of chapter 189 of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act for the organization of corporations for benevolent purposes," 164 332 373 374 375.
- 330, A. To amend section 10 of chapter 344 of the laws of 1876, relating to town insurance companies, 165 593 632.
- 380, A. To amend chapter 147 of the laws of 1876, relating to the fees of officers therein named, 180.
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- 449, A. To amend section 2 of chapter 335 of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act to lay out, open and establish a state road at or near Jenny, in Lincoln county, to Westboro, in Taylor county," 190 336 400 451 501 514 551 564.
- 5, S. To amend chapter 122 of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act relating to the city of Portage and codifying, consolidating and amending the act of incorporation, and all acts amendatory thereof," 44 82 118 197.
- 36, S. To amend sections 5, 6 and 8 of chapter 153 of the laws of 1876, relating to the corporation of fire departments in unincorporated villages, 381 395 434 496.
- 53, S. To amend section 1, chapter 329, general laws of 1876, entitled "an act to authorize the county of Burnett to build and maintain a free bridge across the St. Croix river, 616 640 646.
- 99, S. To amend section 1 of chapter 92 of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act for the preservation of duck and other wild fowl," 365 366 418 465 473 487.
- 138, S. Relating to town insurance companies and amendatory of section 10, chapter 344, laws of 1876, 526 594 632 638.
- 171, S. To amend chapter 135 of the laws of 1876, entitled "an act to revise, consolidate and amend the charter of the city of La Crosse," 191 192.
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- 181, S. To amend section 1, chapter 360, laws of Wisconsin of 1876, entitled "an act to prevent the hunting of deer with dogs," 616 640 646.
- 208, S. To amend chapter 313 of the laws of 186, entitled "an act to revise, consolidate and amend the charter of the city of Racine," 202 242 296 306 318.
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- 42, A. Relating to estates in dower, and amendatory of sections 17, 18 and 19 of chapter 89 of, 35 259 298 306 335 355 482 514 615.
- 47, A. Relating to foreclosure of mortgages by advertisement, and amendatory of section 6, chapter 154 of, 36 67 70 90 146 175.
- 50, A. Relating to the commencement of actions, and amendatory of section 26 of chapter 138 of, 36 67 70 90 146 175 482 575 614.
- 53, A. Relating to justices' courts, and amendatory of section 218 of chapter 120 of, 40 82 118 176 201 210 482.
- 55, A. Relating to fences, and amendatory of section 1 of chapter 17 of, for the year 1858, an act entitled "of fences and fence viewers, of pounds and the impounding of cattle," 40 173 204 213 231 263 354.
- 64, A. Relating to certain offenses, and amendatory of section 5 of chapter 170 of, 41 199 221 231 283 304 482.
- 69, A. To provide for an examination before a jury, and amendatory of section 2 of chapter 37, entitled "of the support of bastards," 42 144 199 569 578 603.
- 71, A. Relating to justices' courts, and amendatory of section 47 of chapter 120 of, 42 83 119 176 239 245 366.
- 77, A. Relating to practice in justices' courts, and amendatory of section 3 chapter 120 of, 43 180 219.
- 79, A. Relating to, and amendatory of sections 61 and 82 of chapter 15 of, and section 1 of chapter 71 of the general laws of the year 1869, 43 180 219 220.
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- 95, A. Relating to the form of summons in action for forcible entry and unlawful detainer, and to amend section 3 of chapter 151 of, 51 260 297 307.
- 107, A. Regulating the general and special elections, and amendatory of section 1 of chapter 7 of, 57 239 344 357.
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- 134, A. Relating to notice of trial, and amendatory of chapter 132 of, 64 180 221 230.
- 161, A. Relating to the exemption of property from execution, and amendatory of sections 23 and 31 of chapter 134 of, 81 421 463 474.
- 191, A. To amend section 2 of chapter 59 of, in relation to toll for grinding grain, 101 240 295 308.
- 193, A. Relating to prisons and common jails, and amendatory of section 9 of chapter 190 of, 101 228 247 264 334 356 481 514 615.
- 197, A. Relating to prisons and common jails, and amendatory of section 12 of chapter 190 of, 102 303 343 359.
- 211, A. Relating to issues, mode of trial and judgment in civil actions, and to amend section 37 of chapter 132 of, entitled "of issues, mode of trial and judgment in civil cases," 112 312 385 387 467 470 588.
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- No. 223 A. Relating to the partition of real estate, and amendatory of chapter 142 of, 113 259 298 348 368 483 485 536 615.
- 226, A. In relation to the settlement of estates where the county judge is incapacitated, and to amend section 16 of chapter 117 of, 114 285 341 357 434 450 559 596 653.
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- 187, S. To amend section 5 of chapter 14 of, entitled "of resignations, vacancies and removals, and of supplying vacancies," 525 527 545 566 567 575 599.
- 23, S. To amend section 54 of chapter 134 of, entitled, "of executions and proceedings supplementary thereto," 525 527 545 566 567.

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 131, A. To Peter Feagan, a sum of money therein named, 64 104 569 577 601 613 620 642 663 668.
 149 A. To George B. Smith and William F. Vilas, the sum of money therein mentioned, 65 229 246 255 315 339 381 416 477.
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 192, A. A sum of money therein named, for chaplain service in the legislature of 1877, 101 331 372 373 419 437 438 516 531 618 619 659 667.
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 241, A. To Yates V. Beebe, a sum of money, 132 238 569 591 595 602 673 621 641 663 669.
 363, A. To Nelson McNeal, the sum of money therein named, 168 544 566 567.
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- 396, A. To the St. Rose Asylum, of Milwaukee, a sum of money therein named, 185 388 440 442 497 509.
- 397, A. To the Home of the Friendless, of Milwaukee, a sum of money therein named, 185 388 440 442 497 509 540.
- 398, A. To the St. Emelianus Orphan Asylum a sum of money therein named, 185 389 44 442 497 509 540.
- 399, A. To the St. Joseph Orphan Asylum, of Milwaukee, a sum of money therein named, 185 389 440 443 497 509 540.
- 400, A. To the Orphans' Association of Milwaukee, a sum of money therein named, 185 389 440 442 499 509 540.
- 401, A. A sum of money to the St. John's Home, in Milwaukee, 185 389 439 442 498 509 539.
- 404, A. To the St. Nazian Society, of Manitowoc, a sum of money therein named, 186 389 439 442 498 509 540.
- 410, A. To the Winnebago County Agricultural Society a sum of money therein named, 186 315 398 408.
- 415, A. To Cadle Home, of Green Bay, five hundred dollars, 187 389 439 442 498 509 540.
- 419, A. A sum of money therein named, 187 389 439 453.
- 423, A. To the Zion's Society, of the county of Sauk, a sum of money therein named, 188 315 398 410 432 453.
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- 430, A. A sum of money therein named, 188 315 398 410 432 453.
- 437, A. To the Home of the Friendless, at Fond du Lac, a sum of money therein named, 189 195 432 495 509 540.
- 438, A. To Peter Salentine, a sum of money therein named, 189 432 496 510 516 530 637 641 656.
- 439, A. To Henry Pink, a sum of money therein named, 189 432 496 511 516 530 637 658 667.
- 447, A. To the religious associations of Milwaukee, a sum of money therein named, 190 389 427 441 442 498 509 540.
- 448, A. Certain sums of money to each subordinate grange in the state of Wisconsin, 190 315 398 409.
- 451, A. A sum of money therein named, 191 195 432 496 509 539.
- 454, A. To J. M. Bowman and others, 498 548 569 577 602 613 621 641 664 668.
- 2, S. To the State Prison, a sum of money therein named, for current expenses and general repairs, 353 354 401 411 423 457 561 599.
- 3, S. To the State Prison a sum of money therein named, 116 117 183 232 234 244.
- 16, S. To the Institute for the Education of the Deaf and Dumb, a sum of money therein named, 301 302 344 360 367.
- 17, S. To the Institution for the Education of the Blind, a sum of money therein named, 301 302 344 360 367.
- 18, S. To the Industrial School for Boys, a sum of money therein named, 301 302 344 361 367.
- 19, S. A sum of money therein named, for the payment of pensions of soldiers' orphans, 301 302 344 360 368.
- 20, S. To the Northern Hospital for the Insane, a sum of money therein named, 301 302 344 360 366.
- 21, S. To the State Hospital for the Insane, a sum of money therein named, 546 561 577 592 599.
- 74, S. To the Northern Hospital for the Insane, a sum of money therein named, 380 382 401 411 424.
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- 117, S. To Joseph N. Treat and others, 354 355 400 411 424 454.
- 121, S. To the governor for the state library, 480 484 517 564.
- 150, S. To Ira F. Kilmer, a sum of money therein named, 616 619 640 646.
- 162, S. To Sylvester G. H. Crocker, the sum of money therein named, 525 527 551 564 576.
- 178, S. To Stephen V. Shipman, the sum of money therein named, 616 619 640.
- 188, S. A sum of money therein named, to pay for additional copies of the Legislative Manual for 1877, 354 355 400 411 425.
- 189, S. To the Wisconsin State Agricultural Society a sum of money therein named, 546 561 577 600 609 622 628 639 636 638.
- 190, S. To the Cadle Home, of Green Bay, five hundred dollars, 558 561 580.
- 211, S. To the Northern Wisconsin Agricultural Mechanical Association a sum of money therein named, 558 561 577 609 609.
- 218, S. To the St. Francis Orphan Asylum and to the St. Michael Asylum, of the city of La Crosse, the sum of money therein named, 558 561 577 579.
- 219, S. To the St. Emilianus Orphan Asylum, of Milwaukee, a sum of money therein named, 558 561 577 579.
- 220, S. To the Milwaukee Industrial School, a sum of money therein named, 558 561 577 578.
- 221, S. To the St. Rose Asylum, of Milwaukee, a sum of money therein named, 558 561 577 579.
- 222, S. To the St. Joseph's Orphan Asylum, of Milwaukee, a sum of money therein named, 558 561 577 579.
- 223, S. To the Orphans' Association, of Milwaukee, a sum of money therein named, 558 561 577 578.
- 224, S. To the Home of the Friendless, of Milwaukee, a sum of money therein named, 558 561 577 579 589.
- 225, S. To St. Nazian Society, of the county of Manitowoc, a sum of money therein named, 558 561 579.
- 252, S. A sum of money to A. E. Elmore and others, 381 395 440 451 460.
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- 133, A. To regulate the times of holding court in Portage county, 64 180 221 230 269 270 302 378 477.
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- 153, A. To reconstruct the ninth judicial circuit and fix the time of holding the terms thereof, and authorizing the appointment of phonographic reporters therefor, 80 286 340 545 566 567.
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